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Palestine Jewry Furthers War Effort

A group of special Jewish police returned to Palestine after having completed their assignment of escorting Axis prisoners to Australia. On their arrival in Australia, the Jewish policemen were accorded a warm reception by the public and press.

According to a report by the London Palcor News Agency, Palestine's potential possibilities as an industrial supply center for the Middle East were among the topics discussed at the conference of representatives of the United Kingdom Commercial Corporation held in Jerusalem. It was pointed out that many vital products can be supplied by Palestine factories and thereby save valuable shipping space.

During Recruiting Week at Tel Aviv, show-windows of stores displayed photographs of Jewish soldiers, while records of martial music were played in the public squares. While volunteers paraded in the Tel Aviv Stadium, hundreds of other Jewish army volunteers attended a rally at which were present representatives of national Jewish institutions, British recruiting officers, military chaplains and Jewish veterans of the last war. A sergeant from the colony Ayeleth Hashachar paid tribute to the memory of Menahem Ussishkin and Louis D. Brandeis.

A report made by David Ben Gurion, Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, said that 80,000 men and 50,000 women between the ages of 18 and 50 responded to the call issued by the [illegible] for national service. The greater part of the men of military age indicated their readiness to enter active military service. In June this year the number of Jews serving with the British forces in Palestine and the Middle East in all branches of the service (R.A.F., Royal Engineers, Naval Auxiliary Units, Royal Artillery, etc.) exceeded 10,000. All these units have distinguished themselves in the campaigns of Libya, Egypt, Ethiopia, Greece and Crete. Additional thousands of Jewish volunteers are now being enlisted.

Jewish economic war effort has been concentrated in four main branches: agriculture, industry, transport and public works for the army. Milk, eggs and vegetables are produced in considerably larger quantities than before the war and the irrigated area devoted to mixed farming has been increased by 10,000 dunams. In the industrial field, existing plants have been expanded and a number of new industrial enterprises established to meet military needs. New electrical power installations in the Southern District alone have totalled 1,699 since the outbreak of the war.

Since the beginning of the war, Jewish industry has supplied to the army alone upwards of 2,000,000 pounds sterling ($8,000,000.00) worth of goods. Half of these orders were placed only after the beginning of 1941. In addition, reserves of highly skilled labor were also available. The Jewish Agency, in cooperation with the Anglo-Palestine Bank, has facilitated the execution of military orders by financing the factories with which such orders have been placed.

The military operations in Egypt and Syria made it necessary to requisition a considerable proportion of the motor-cars in Palestine. The Jewish Agency and the Jewish community of Palestine lent their fullest support to the mobilization of all these vehicles and their drivers. During the three months April-July, 1941, 500 vehicles were requisitioned with the help of the Transport Committee of the Jewish Agency and placed at the disposal of the Army. A large number of drivers were also enlisted to help in Army Transport services—apart from the drivers enlisted in the Special Army Transport Units.

The establishment in Palestine of a number of Army units, and the fortification work required, called for very extensive public works—the building of camps, the erection of fortifications, the building of hospitals, construction of roads, etc. Many of these works had to be completed at very short notice, and a large Jewish labor force, skilled in building and constructional work and organized in a special contracting organization—the Solel Boneh—was on the spot, and geared equal to the great exacting tasks which is carried through to the full satisfaction of the military authorities. The fortification works in the North of Palestine deserves special notice. On an average from 8,000 to 10,000 Jewish workers, a considerable proportion of them skilled in building and road work, together with the necessary staff of engineers, technicians, etc., were employed on military public works, and this—at a time when thousands of Jews were already enlisted in the Army—required good organization to provide the workers and technical staff.

The entire medical and scientific facilities of the Hebrew University and all its departments have been placed at disposal of the Government for the furtherance of the war effort. The University arranged courses for the medical officers of the British and Australian Forces under Professor Saul Adler, of the Department of Parasitology. The University, in conjunction with the Hadassah Hospital, also arranged courses in war surgery and camp sanitation for military physicians. In addition, the authorities of the Australian Forces and the Polish contingent were supplied with sera for the diagnosis of typhoid and other diseases.

Likewise, immediate medical aid, in the event of attacks from the air, has been arranged by the Hadassah-University Hospital, and dressing stations have been opened for the immediate examination of the injured. The Laboratory of Physiology, since the outbreak of the war, has been engaged on the production of vitamins and hormones for local pharmaceutical firms, helping in the manufacture of preparations, the import of which has been interrupted by the war. Other Jewish institutions such as the Hebrew Technical Institute in Haifa and the Daniel Sieff Institute of Rehovot are also contributing in a thousand and one ways, in their respective spheres, to the war effort.

The sum of 100,000 pounds sterling ($400,000.00) for the acquisition of 10,000 dunams of land as the contribution of the Yishuv was pledged at a public rally of Jewish National Fund workers from all parts of Palestine recently held at Tel Aviv. It was reported there that the investments of the Jewish National Fund in land purchases during the two years of war amounted to 2,200,000 pounds, including the sum of 300,000 pounds paid on account of earlier land acquisitions. It was further reported that in the past two years more than 80,000 dunams of land were transferred to the Jewish National Fund. These were exclusive of tracts acquired by the J.N.F. for private purchases.

Wise Wants Jewish Army

Permission to enroll 50,000 or 60,000 Palestinian Jews as "Jewish divisions within the army of Britain" to defend Palestine and the British position in the Middle East from the forces of totalitarian aggression was demanded by Dr. Stephen S. Wise of the Free Synagogue of New York, national co-chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, in a broadcast over WPEN. Dr. Wise spoke under the auspices of the Philadelphia Council of the United Palestine Appeal.

Young Jews will die if needs be that Palestine may live, asserted Dr. Wise, but their request for maximum enlistment under a united Jewish command cannot much longer be denied, whether "on grounds of appeasement or any other grounds."

Referring to the transformation of Palestine by the Jewish people as the story of a "modern miracle," Dr. Wise said that within little more than a generation the pioneers of Palestine had created a progressive agricultural and industrial economy which is now playing a significant role in the British war effort. Dr. Wise also referred to the "unbounded heroism of the 12,000 Jews who have enrolled under the banner of democracy within the armies of Britain."

"The day is at hand," he asserted, when the Jewish people will be reborn and rebuilt through Palestine, when a people with a "great past," a "sorely perplexed and embittered present," will inherit a future of "self-enablement," of service to all mankind. Then, concluded Dr. Wise, they shall not be an "injured minority," but a [illegible]

Junior Hadassah Urges Jewish Army

Status for Palestine at unequivocally a Jewish commonwealth after the war and authority to form immediately a Jewish military force to fight under its own flag was requested in a formal declaration to the British Government by Junior Hadassah, the young women's Zionist organization of America, at its annual national convention in Boston, Mass.

The petition expressed "deep regret" that representatives of the British Government in stating war aims have said nothing so far about solving "the catastrophic problems of Jewish homelessness."

With reference to an independent armed force of Jews, the resolution urged that Great Britain end its "short-sighted policy."

The petition was addressed to Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to the United States, after unanimous adoption by more than 1,000 delegates from all parts of the country. The action followed an address by Miss Ernestine Kirshner of New York, national secretary.

Miss Kirshner said that the youth of the world should not be content merely to carry out orders of the older generation to fight and produce the weapons of war, but should take an active part in shaping plans for the conduct of war and for "the construction of the democratic world order" after the war.

She warned against "preachers of a wait-and-see" policy, asserting it was time the youth of today were fully aware of the "death-grip between the creeds of tyranny and liberty."

Endorsing the Atlantic Charter of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill "as a sound and just basis for peace and security," the petition said:

[illegible] problem, in [illegible] from the settlement of all problems in the building of a new world democratic order.

"So grave and extensive will be the problem of an uprooted European Jewry after the war that only Palestine, reconstituted within its historic borders, having unequivocal status as a Jewish commonwealth, unrestricted as to Jewish immigration and land acquisition, will solve the age-old problem of Jewish rights and Jewish homelessness and will contribute, thereby, to the stabilization of Europe."

On the question of a Jewish army, the petition said:

"Toward the end of freeing the world from oppression, the Jewish people have unsparingly thrown their lot with the nations and people allied with Great Britain. Yet in a situation in which Great Britain admittedly needs all the aid it can get, the British Government has seen fit to refuse the offer of the Jewish Agency for Palestine to organize a considerable Jewish fighting force under its own name and flag to fight under British command.

"We urge the British Government to end its short-sighted policy in respect to a Jewish army by immediately permitting the present Jewish troops of Palestine, numbering nearly 12,000, to be augmented by many thousands more and to designate these fighters as a Jewish military force."

Delegates representing branches in forty-two States were welcomed by Lewis H. Weinstein, assistant corporation counsel, representing Mayor Tobin. Other speakers were Miss Sylvia Brody of New York, national president, who gave the annual report; Dr. Frieda Ullian of Boston, first president of Junior Hadassah; and Dr. Aaron Kessler of New York, executive director of Young Judea.

In outlining a program of expanded activities in local defense and aid to Palestine, Miss Brody cautioned against falling victims to "Hitler's trap of paralyzing us by terror or benumbing uncertainty."

Dr. Ullian surveyed events in Jewish history and said:

"A group can survive only if it makes lasting contributions to the progress of civilization. Such contributions have been made by the Jewish people in the concept of a single God in the fight for freedom, beginning with Moses, and in service toward the solution of general problems as exemplified by Joseph in Egypt."

Shmuel Newmann, International Jewish leader assailed "conspiring British bureaucrats" who, he said, defeated the plan to form a Jewish military force in Palestine.

Without considering names, Mr. Newmann asserted in a [illegible] ment has been but [illegible] on a vital issue." He said the "official reason" for rejection of the proposal of the Jewish Agency for

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No Help For Refugee Problem Now, Says Welles

Sumner Welles, U.S. Under Secretary of State, told the Inter-American Jewish Conference at Baltimore, Maryland, that final settlement of the refugee problem would have to await the end of the war, but he praised current efforts to seek an ultimate solution.

"Those of us who have faith in democracy and confidence in the inherent humanity of our Western civilization cannot, and I am sure will not, rest until an equitable and practicable solution of this problem, which challenges us so fundamentally, is found," he said.

He praised the work of the Dominican Republic where, he said, the Sosua development is conducting an experiment of "vital importance" in determining the possibilities of resettlement in the Western Hemisphere. The 1,000 settlers there, according to Mr. Welles, now have 1,000 head of live-stock and are producing goods not only to sustain themselves but for marketing as well.

"Solution of the greater problem of mass resettlement," he concluded, "cannot be undertaken, however, until the war is over and until the world has seen the final and utter defeat of those responsible for this cruel tragedy which shames our modern world."

The conference was called by the American Jewish Congress and is chiefly for creating a permanent form of cooperation among Jewish communities of the Americas in relation to common problems and interests.

Curacao Admits Jews Barred By Latin-American Nations

A travel-weary group of eighty-six Jewish refugees received asylum in Willemstad, Curacao, Dutch West Indies port, ending months of despairing search for a welcome in Latin America.

The steamer Cabo da Hornos was on the point of heading back to Europe with its passengers when the Netherlands Indies news agency announced they would be permitted to land in the Dutch West Indies until their immigration to other countries in the Western Hemisphere could be arranged.

The refugees, barred from South American countries for which they held visas, sailed from Rio de Janeiro Nov. 8 after Argentina declined to let them land. Some had been trying for six months to find homes in the New World, having been stranded on their first effort at Dakar, French West Africa.

Arrangements for landing the refugees—mostly from Poland and Czecho-Slovakia — were made by the Netherlands government in London and the American Jewish joint distribution committee.

The Cabo da Hornos sailed from Rio de Janeiro Nov. 6 for Cadiz, Spain, her rails lined with the weeping refugees. As the ship left Rio, the captain was quoted as saying he did not expect to get all his passengers back to Europe, because "the majority prefer suicide to the somber future awaiting them."

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Germans Send Mass Deportations Of Jews To Desolate Pinsk Marshes

Twenty thousand Jewish men, women and children were deported from the German Reich in October and most of them have been sent to the Pinsk marshes, in Eastern Poland, according to reliable reports received by Jewish welfare agencies in New York. Recent mass deportations, added to restricted emigration to the Western Hemisphere and of high mortality among German Jews, has reduced the total number of Jews in greater Germany and former Czecho-Slovakia from 427,200 last May to 356,570, it was estimated by the Jewish agencies.

News of deportation of Jews from various German towns has trickled out in the last few weeks. More detailed reports were obtained after a careful check of their sources. The deportations were said by one agency to have stopped at the beginning of November because of shortage of labor in Germany. Another agency indicated, however, that the town of Pilsen in Bohemia, site of the Skoda armament works, was being "defudsized" in the last few days.

It has been possible to itemize approximately the 20,000 Jews deported in October as follows: Four thousand eight hundred have left Berlin, where the total number of Jews is now 65,479; 1,500 were picked out of the town of Frankfurt am Main, where the Jewish population had for many centuries been particularly large and wealthy, and whence the family of the Rothschilds once set out; 2,000 were sent out of Cologne; other towns of Germany proper contributed 1,700 Jews, and 5,000 were deported from Vienna and 5,000 from Prague.

No special categories of the Jewish population were chosen by the German authorities for deportation. Jews who lived in non-Jewish houses and districts were apparently evacuated first, but some were picked at random. No discrimination was made between men, women and children. Whole families were put on trains together. Lodz, now called Litzmannstadt, served as the first evacuation point for persons taken from Germany, Austria and Bohemia. But from there the deportees were distributed to various points, most of them going to the area of the Pinsk marshes, one of the most desolate in Europe.

Some letters written by the deportees on the eve of their departure have been received by their relatives in New York. Many of the deportees hoped to the last minute to obtain visas for Cuba.

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Social Notes—Montreal

Mrs. S. Litwin, Maplewood Avenue, has returned from Columbus, Ohio, where she visited her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Davis, having also been in Cincinnati, where she was a guest at the wedding of her nice, Miss Fanny Litwin; and at that of her nephew, Hy. Litwin.

Dr. Cecil Mantell, formerly of Montreal, now of New York, was here for a few days, visiting his mother, Mrs. S. Mantell, Bloomfield Avenue.

Miss Jean Baker, of New York, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. Goldberg, 4500 Esplanade Avenue, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Hoppenheim, St. Urbain Street, went to New York to be guests at the Atkins-Shulman wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Freedman have returned to Boston, after visiting the latter's father, B. Harris, Hutchison Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Salomon are living at 4911 Dorval Avenue.

Mrs. M. Solomon, of Albany, N.Y., is visiting Mrs. Max Usher, Decarie Boulevard.

Mrs. S. Yaphe, Queen Mary Road, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mandelbaum, in Albany, N.Y.

[illegible] Vendome Avenue, left to be present at the Baker-Weinman wedding in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jacobs, Sherbrooke Street West, spent a few days at Four Seasons' Lodge, Ste. Agathe.

Mrs. Isidore Friedman, of New York, was a guest of Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Lande, Drummond Street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Levy, Strathcona Avenue, spent a few days at Four Seasons' Lodge, Ste. Agathe.

Miss Dorothy Brovender, of Timmins, Ontario, has returned home, after visiting her uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Lande, Drummond Street.

Mrs. M. Margolick, Prince Albert Avenue, is visiting relatives in Boston.

Mrs. David Tannenbaum, Sherbrooke Street West, motored to Boston, where she is visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Brolman.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Frankel, Strathcona Avenue, spent a few days at Morin Heights, Quebec.

Mrs. Abe Bronfman, Westmount Avenue, spent a few days in Toronto.

Mrs. A. Shapiro, of Quebec, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. Rosenbaum, Westmount Avenue.

Mrs. J. C. Asch, Victoria Avenue, is visiting relatives in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sommer and Miss Doris Sommer, Lexington Avenue, spent a few days at Four Seasons' Lodge, Ste. Agathe.

Miss Rona Bronfman, Westmount Boulevard, entertained at a tea.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Cohen, Cote des Neiges Road, entertained at dinner at the Samovar; and at Chez Ernest Restaurant.

Mrs. Lionel J. Shine, Lansdowne Avenue, entertained at tea at Eaton's, in honor of the sixteenth birthday of her daughter, Tamar. Those present were Misses Judith Auerbach, Lisi Becker, Misi Berger, Marcia Cohen, Suzanne F. Cohen (Cote des Neiges Road), Vivian Fine, Elaine Gottlieb, Wylma Jacobs, Sarena Konowitz, Riva Leibovich, Selma Shacter, Krayna Shure, Zelda Slavouski, Nina Teff, and Tamara Umanski.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Hoppenheim, St. Urbain Street, were hosts at an evening party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Arshinov, of Chicago.

Mrs. A. Singerman, Champagneur Avenue, entertained at a cup and saucer shower in honor of Miss Bernice Katz, a bride-elect of January 11. Covers were laid for twenty-four.

Entertaining for Miss Bertha Silver, a bride-elect of December 25th, were: Misses Rebecca and Dora Berson, at tea; Mrs. S. Silver, Van Horne Avenue, evening; Miss Eleanor Levy, tea.

Miss Esther Wolfe, a bride-elect of next month, was entertained at a supper and theatre party pre-nuptialed by Mrs. M. Lipetzen and Miss Anna Shames; and at a theatre and supper presentation by Miss Gertrude Urovitch.

Mrs. F. Druker, Maplewood Avenue, gave a tea for Mrs. J. Friedman and daughter, Bernice, of Malden, Mass. Covers were laid for ten guests. Mrs. M. F. Caplan, Maplewood Avenue, poured tea.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Trachtenberg, 4502 Hutchison Street, gave a dinner in honor of their son, Hyman Trachtenberg, and his fiance, Miss Freida Berger, 4176 City Hall Avenue. Covers were laid for forty guests. The tables were decorated with roses and carnations.

GERMANS SEND MASS DEPORTATIONS OF JEWS TO DESOLATE PINSK MARSHES

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which is virtually the only country in the Western Hemisphere permitting immigrants to enter and which in many cases serves as a temporary haven until an American visa is granted. In some instances Cuban visas were obtained too late—their recipients already had left for a destination "unknown" to the German postal authorities.

The following extract of a letter received in New York from Vienna reflects the distress of an elderly woman ordered to leave for Poland the next day: "Our only salvation could have been the timely granting of a Cuban visa. Unfortunately, everything is too late now. We bid you farewell, trusting that we shall see you again in the course of our life. Please take care of our children and tell them to accept things as they are.

"You have taken our children in with such warmth, that I don't need to recommend them to your affection. And now I must tell you good-by and thank you again for all your efforts. I embrace and kiss you, my dear mother, you my lovely children and you, my good sisters and cousins."

It is believed in some Jewish circles in New York that the deportees are being sent to Pinsk to work in labor groups engaged in the drainage of the famous Eastern Polish marshes. Such work could not be begun, however, until next spring. Many of the deportees are known to be aged people so the mortality among them is expected to be high during the winter. The amount of luggage allowed to each person deported is said to have been twenty-four pounds. The Jewish communities in Poland, although destitute themselves, are said to be helping the deportees by organizing soup kitchens and collecting any available clothing.

Some reports received from Central Europe speak of massacres of Jews by Germans in the occupied part of Russia. The number of Jews killed in Kiev after its conquest has been put as high as 52,000.

In Vienna, large numbers of Jews sought to escape expulsion by hiding themselves, and SS. men have been conducting "round-ups" in the vicinity of the city. The searches were carried out under the direction of Group-Leader Brunner.

As an example of Brunner's method, it is stated that he has forbidden the Rothschild Hospital to admit patients who are included in the deportation lists. In consequence, the hospital is obliged, before aiding even the victims of accidents, first to ascertain if they are on these lists. If they are, the hospital may not give them any assistance. Cases have been recorded of people dying in the streets or in their homes, ineligible for hospital treatment because they are earmarked for deportation.

For the first transport from Vienna, over twelve hundred Jews were crowded together in the Kasteletz School. An indelible mark was stamped on the wrist of each, branding him as a deportee, lest he should escape. After a night spent in open trucks, packed so tightly that they could not move, the prisoners were taken to the station. The sight was so pathetic that passers-by in the streets commented sympathetically on the plight of the Jews.

Nightmare conditions prevailed in the trains into which the deportees were packed so tightly that they had to stand during the entire journey of several days and nights to Lodz (Litzmannstadt), which appears to be their reception centre. The oldest rolling stock was used for transport, and the trains were unequipped with drinking water or sanitary conveniences. In the conditions prevailing when the trains left Vienna, there can be little doubt that many of the old and infirm must have died on the journey.

Protests by German industrialists against the deportation of skilled Jewish workers, reports the Social Demokraten, of Stockholm, have resulted in many Jews being sent back from concentration camps to their old jobs.

Goering and high officials of the Nazi Party are reported to have supported the industrialists' moves against men imported from the Balkans to Germany to replace them and who, it is stated, are a failure and are detrimental to the Nazi war effort.

In Czechoslovakia a warning has been issued to the public that Germany will not tolerate a repetition of recent pro-Jewish demonstrations by Czechs, who have been supplying Jews exiled to the Polish ghettoes with food and warm clothes for their journey. The Czechs have also been warned by the Nazis that those of them who consent to become the guardians of Jewish exiles' property will be regarded as enemies of Germany and as saboteurs of the New Order.

JUNIOR HADASSAH URGES JEWISH ARMY

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Palestine to form an army was shortage of equipment, but added that there appeared to be enough equipment for 750,000 men in the new Libyan offensive, "where Czech, Polish and other units representing the peoples crushed by Hitlerism are fighting under their own colors."

Prime Minister Churchill approved the plans, Mr. Neumann said, but "his underlings—little men, narrow and timorous—sabotaged them."

"Will British diplomats in Whitehall or in Washington dare to assert that no room and equipment could be found for a force of 30,000 to 50,000 Jews representing the Jewish national home and fighting under their own banner?" Mr. Neumann asked.

"Will they dare to assert that our lend-lease material is being shipped to Britain under the proviso that it may be used for English, Free French and other units, but that none of it, not even a small fraction, may be used to equip a Jewish force to fight under British command?"

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Social Notes—Montreal

Mrs. Louis Goldsman, Maplewood Avenue was hostess at tea in honor of her niece, Miss Sybil Barsky, a bride-elect of December 21st. The table was decorated with pink and white carnations. Mrs. Gilbert Goldstein poured tea and Mrs. J. Polisuk cut the ices. The bride-elect was presented with a set of crystal by the hostess. The guests present were: Mesdames Harry Barsky, mother of the bride, D. Feis, S. Feis, J. Shulman Sydney Feis, B. Katz, M. Marcovitz, A. I. Schlesinger, Henry Potter, of Toronto, David Smiley, S. Smiley, B. Friedman, R. Macarofsky, S. Polisuk, S. M. Polisuk, M. J. Polisuk, Mos Polisuk, B. Goldsman, H. Goldsman, J. Rubin, J. Victor, S. Rosenberg, B. Sussman, L. Clarman, and D. Kastner.

Mrs. A. Turner, 5265 St. Urbain Street, gave a tea for Miss Evelyn Louis, a bride-elect of January. The table was centred with roses and gladioli. The bride was presented with a console set. The guests were Miss Irene Luck, Mesdames B. Goldman, S. Luck, J. Koch, M. Freedman, A. Steinwald, A. Louis, J. Fine, S. Tabac, B. Strulovitch, W. Strull, H. Hymovitch, H. Penner, H. Spiegel, H. Raider, H. Feldman, P. Wiseberd, S. Feiner, C. Lubin, S. Birnbaum, M. Stein, M. Viner, M. Marcus, H. Shapiro; Misses Rose Sherman, Rose Morris, Ruth Witnow, Loretta Miller, Ethel Schwartz, Ruth Medley, of Burlington, Vermont.

Mrs. B. Roseman, Northumont Avenue, entertained at an evening in honor of Miss Gertrude Kayfitz and Reuben Singman, who were married on Sunday, November 23rd. The tea table was decorated with pink and white baby mums and carnations. Mrs. Arthur Kayfitz and Mrs. J. Singman poured tea and Mrs. B. Roseman cut the ices for: Mesdames B. Perelmuter, C. Sigman, H. Sigman, M. Sigman, N. Zingman, S. Kellner, M. Steins, B. Roseman, F. Schleffer, S. Rabinovitch, L. Greenblatt, A. J. Bonner, M. Schwartz, B. Shaffer, S. H. Feldman, H. H. Lubinski, and Misses Ruth Kayfitz, Sara Sigman, Beatrice Roseman, Dora Braunstein, Lilian Shaffer, Sylvia Singer and Yetta Miller. Miss Kayfitz was presented with a pair of silver bon bon dishes.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Pinsky, Querbes Avenue, gave a sweet sixteen party at the Tic Tac for their daughter, Molly. The table color scheme was pink and white and the centrepiece was of pink and white roses. Present were Misses Joyce Litwin, Milly Gruberman, Naomi Pinsky, Sylvia Marcowitch, Shirley Frank, Evelyn Small, Dora Cohen and Hazel Wissberg; and Rodney Heft, Marcus Sheffman, B. Hymovitch, Harold Bell, B. Frank, Clarence Glassman, Harold Bell, Joseph Bebouthkin, and Harold Mendelson.

Miss Molly Byer, Park Avenue, entertained at a musicale, supper and dance party, those present being: Misses Norma Bernhut, Glen Felbush, Eunice Goldstein, Sally Granofsky, Libby Levine, Sylvia Myerovich, Minnie Nadler, Sarah Price, Esther Sklar, Lily Steinhouse, Dolly Urdang, Joan Wigdor, Hilda Yaffe; and Nadine M. Coppelman, I. Dresher, Henry Eibel, Max Gelis, Nathan Kaplan, Leon Kronitz, Harry Litwack, Hyman Miller, M. Ozler, Abe Pantel, Henry Rabinovich, Samuel Ross, I. Waxman, Louis Wilder, Louis Wolfe, and Saul Venetsky. Mr. and Mrs. Max Byer and Mrs. Ben. Caplan assisted in serving.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stein, Bernard Avenue West, gave a family dinner in honor of their son Lionel Mortimer's fourth birthday. Guests present were Rabbi Ephraim Levy, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bromberg, Mr. and Mrs. S. Stein, Mr. and Mrs. N. Grossman, Mr. and Mrs. D. Gilman, Mr. and Mrs. L. Frost, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bromberg, Mrs. Sarah Druckman, Mrs. L. Moscovitch, Miss Diana Stein. Mrs. D. Gilman assisted in serving.

Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Ziderman, Clarke Street, celebrated their ninth wedding anniversary at the Bucharest, those present being Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kirstein, Mr. and Mrs. J. Dubin, Mr. and Mrs. S. Starr, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nudleman, Mr. and Mrs. N. Kirstein, Mr. and Mrs. M. Sannenbaum, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kirstein, Mr. and Mrs. H. Finestone, Mrs. Ben. Caplan. Mrs. Ziderman was presented with a diamond wristwatch by her husband, and other gifts by guests.

Mrs. Morris Singer, 5460 Park Avenue, entertained for Miss Annette Steinberg, whose marriage to Milton Bernstein took place on November 23, other guests being Misses Hilda Doublet, Freda Steinberg, Rita Steinberg, Sadie Fine, Ruth Erlick, of Toronto, Mesdames Joseph Nadler and Harold Winston. Mrs. Nadler poured the tea. The bride was presented with a lamp.

Miss Ida Hecht gave a tea at the Samovar for Miss Celia Calp, of St. John, N.B., whose marriage to Saul Hecht takes place on November 30th at the Mount Royal Hotel. Others present were: Mesdames C. Mittleman, D. Schwartzman, R. Hecht, G. Hecht, B. Hecht, A. Hecht, and A. Calp, and Misses Rose Neiderhoffer, Claire Neiderhoffer, Sybil Ornstein, Ethel Bloomer, and Rose Rozovsky. A sterling silver hot dish was presented to the bride.

Mesdames Reuben Hecht, Gerson Hecht, and Benjamin Hecht were hostesses at a tea at Eaton's to honor Miss Celia Calp, a bride-elect of November 30, and presented her with an electric cigarette stand. Their guests were: Mesdames Henry Lazarovitch, A. Mislovitch, M. Freedman, M. Labensohn, N. Labensohn, S. Labensohn, I. Gilbert, I. Neiman, S. Guttman, M. Guttman, A. Calp, A. Hecht, S. Goldstein, N. Engelberg, S. Gutman, G. Greenberg, L. Freedman, and Misses Fanny Labensohn and Ida Hecht.

Entertainments for Mrs. Hyman Cohen, formerly Miss Lily Kirshenberg, were Mrs. J. Kirshenberg, mother of the bride, tea and linen presentation; Mrs. M. Cohen, mother of the groom, tea presentation; Mesdames J. Karpman, D. Hyman, H. Posen, tea and kitchen presentation; Miss Sylvia Levitan, tea presentation; Miss Nettie Posen, tea presentation at Mount Royal Hotel; Mrs. L. Peters, St. Urbain Street, evening presentation; Mrs. L. Cohen, St. Urbain Street, evening presentation; Miss Esther Wisenthal, St. Urbain Street, tea presentation.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Pinsky, Querbes Avenue, entertained at a supper party for their immediate family in honor of their daughter Molly's sixteenth birthday. Covers were laid for thirty at a table decorated with red roses. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Morris Pinsky, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Pinsky, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Pinsky, Mr. and Mrs. L. Litwin, Mr. and Mrs. S. Frank, Mr. and Mrs. L. Frank, Mr. and Mrs. S. Dermer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Goodlin, Mr. and Mrs. M. Maizen, Mr. and Mrs. S. Hoffman, Mrs. W. Frank, Mrs. E. Pinsky, D. Pinsky, Cy. Litwin, Misses Sarah Westerman, Joyce Litwin, Norma Pinsky, and Sheila Pinsky; and Stanley and Robert Litwin.

• MONTREAL MEETINGS •

• **Shaare Zion Sisterhood** on Tuesday, December 2nd, at 2.45 p.m. will plan the Chanukah tea. Dr. Norman Vineberg will speak on "Children In Wartime". Hostess is Mrs. M. Gross.

• **Cum Laude Sorority**, Chapter 40 Bnai Brith, held their third annual dinner dance at the Mount Royal Hotel. Miss Lilian Kostiner was installed as president. At dinner a birthday cake was brought in and the past president, Miss Lilia Klein, lit the candles and presented the club with a Bible. The club presented her with a gift in appreciation of her term as president. The following attended: Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gilletz, Mr. and Mrs. Sol. Schwartz, Misses Beatrice Morein; Mildred Auerbach, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Segal, (nee Naomi Gilman), Misses Yetta Klinger, Ann Cohen, Fagy Latner, Sophie Erom, Sylvia Broodney, Irene Bier, Toba Ashenazy, Reva Backler, Lea Costom, Goldie Wasserman, Lily Merson, Florence Bamel, Freda Rother, Sylvia Davida, Edith Isaacs, Rose Gershberg, Sylvia Weinstein; and Philip Levenson, Robert Cohen, Louis Lerner, Gerald Stein, Max Rubenstein, Asher Rotman, Irving Zweig, Harry Broodney, Selig Smith, Meyer Dennick, David Caplan, Hyman Selechonsk, Samuel W. Koch, G. Goldberg, Leo Bassel, Joseph Rother, Ralph Nusenzi, Hyman Stern, Joseph Winters, L. Kostiner, A. Manis.

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• Marcia Nagus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Nagus, 5755 Waverley Street, celebrated her eighth birthday by giving up the usual party gifts. Instead the guests contributed cash, the sum of $22 being realized, $6 going to the Queen's Fund and $16 for the Red Cross Blanket Fund. Children who helped make this possible were present: Angela Hamuels, Barbara Koss, Joan and Berenice Noble, Eleanor and Eunice Dubinsky, Judy Levine, Rhoda Brutel, Fanny Schacter, Helena Sandler, Jack Bruker, Jack Rosenthal, Marvin Silverman, Julian Kotler, Walter and Robert Rubina. Two not present who contributed were Norman Levy and Roslyn Cherry. Grown-ups who helped were Mrs. Louis Dubofsky, Mrs. S. Cohen, Marcia's grandmother, Miss Lily Cohen (Marcia's aunt), Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beutel, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Beutel, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Brussels, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Nagus. Invitations read: "positively no gifts", the last two words underlined twice.

• **Young Hebrew Mathias Arnains Society** annual bazaar on December 14th, 15th and 16th, in Chevra Kadisha Synagogue will raise funds to cover deficit in clothing unfortunate school youth. Office 4650 Jeanne Mance Street, La. 7814; S. B. Schwartz, president.

• **United Jewish Refugee And War Relief Agencies**: Samuel Bronfman received the following letter from Refugee Camp "A" at Farnham, Quebec, signed by Dr. Manfred Saalheimer and Heinz Abrahamson: "On the 10th of November, the day which, in 1938, wrought so far-reaching changes in our lives, we called upon the members of our community to give for those who just now have to bear the full brunt of a persecution that was then but at a preliminary stage. We are glad to report that not only our co-religionists but also the great majority of all our fellow refugees, including Gentiles and non-Jews of partly Jewish descent, have answered our call and have pledged to sacrifice from one up to ten working days pay. We shall be able to forward our cheque for about $380 early next week. It is the express wish of our friends that the money, if any feasible, be utilized for feeding Jewish people deported to the Polish ghettoes from Germany and Austria. In view of the fact that the U.J.R. & W.R.A. are in close collaboration with the Joint Distribution Committee, New York, we herewith beg to ask you to turn over the cheque of its contravalue, as may be in accordance with legal requirements, to the "Joint", that one single organization still in a position to bring relief to the victims of persecution in Europe."

• **Hadassah**: Palestine Victory Bazaar opens Wednesday, December 3rd, at the Mount Royal Hotel, at dinner, continuing through Thursday on the entire ninth floor. Wednesday business people's luncheon will have a fashion show with Jack Fuller as announcer. In charge of the bazaar are: Mesdames George Rotairy, A. Raginsky, Sr., L. Miller, D. Rosenbaum, S. Chent, M. J. Raff, S. Wittes, M. Cooperberg, A. D. Paikiel, H. L. Sourkes, S. Rosenfeld, S. Penner, E. T. Garfinkle, N. Iury, E. G. Bernstein. Wednesday evening cabaret night will have the complete Samovar floor show, and supper. Thursday, business luncheon, children's fashion show and tea; Thursday evening, theatrical visitors. Chapter meeting Sunday, November 30th, at 8.30. Emma Israel, jam and money shower in aid of the bazaar, with bridge, mah jong and a screening; hostesses: Mesdames A. Malis, S. Tunsky, J. Tabacman. Friends welcome. Chapters meeting, Monday, December 1st, at 2.30; Rialik, mah jong and bridge at the home of Mrs. M. Kachanoff, 3347 Maplewood Avenue; Kadimah, at the home of Mrs. P. Shapiro, 333 Dolland Avenue; Miriam Braimin Ortenberg, at the home of Mrs. B. Gordon, 700a Bloomfield Avenue; Nair Tamid, at the home of Mrs. L. Gibson, 3556 Prudhomme Avenue; Queen Esther, at the home of Mrs. M. Samuels, 137 Bloomfield Avenue; Rachel Levinson book review by Mrs. Philip Vineberg of "Berlin Diary"; hostesses, Mrs. J. Hamburg, Mrs. F. Louis. Chapters meeting, Monday, December 1st, at 8.30; Rachel Anna Lasvy, at the home of Mrs. A. Stern, 5203 Drolet Street; Shoshana, at the home of Mrs. P. Shivek, 4593 Jeanne Mance Street. Chapter meeting, Tuesday, at 2.30; Central, food shower for the bazaar, at the home of Mrs. A. Simon, 189 Querbes Avenue. Chapters meeting Tuesday at 8.30; Ella Cohen Chapter, cookery shower for the bazaar, at the home of Mrs. H. Rabinowitch, 5602 Hutchison Street, and a cookery and money shower at the home of Mrs. M. Sternthal, 1331 Van Horne Avenue; Judith at the home of Mrs. A. Charov, 380 Edward Charles Street. Group item without names is omitted.

Because he saved the lives of five Jews trapped in a burning synagogue, Stanley Barlow, a non-Jew, was awarded the King George Medal for bravery. During a German raid on the city the Great Synagogue on Great Portland Street was bombed. Barlow rushed into the burning synagogue and rescued three women and two men in a remarkable feat of heroism.

A Hand Towards Self-Help

By Ethel Ostry, of Montreal, Executive Secretary, Child and Family Welfare Department, Federation of Jewish Philanthropies

Sammy had just reached the age of twelve. His birthday was on Sunday, and the person in charge of the Orphanage where he was making his home, had told him that he could spend the day with his aunt, who was giving him a birthday party. Sammy was thrilled.

At the Orphanage where Sammy had been staying for the past six years, he was provided with everything—good food, clothing, tuition in Hebrew, music lessons, etc., but Sammy hated groups. He liked children but could not stand being with a group continually, that is, eating, sleeping and playing at definite periods with other children. He always said he was happy for he did have everything. However, Sammy only showed enthusiasm and animation when he visited his aunt in the quiet surroundings of a private home and family life. This time, he was going to have a birthday party, and his cousins and a few of their friends who live in their own homes would be there to greet him.

It was a happy day for Sammy and he was very reluctant to go back when the party was over. Later he seemed to have become possessed with a feeling of restlessness. He was irritable and no one could make out what troubled him. He had everything he needed, yet he became more and more restless and even morose. It was evident that he had to have a change of environment.

The relatives were broached about taking Sammy into their home. An aunt did not have the conveniences which he had at the Orphanage. However, she and her husband planned to move into a larger apartment, so as to give him a room to himself. The boy was overjoyed to learn that he was going to live with his aunty. His whole attitude changed. Sammy was going to live a normal life like that of other children, and the fact that his mother and father were dead was no longer to be continually in the foreground. He was going to school as before but not in a group with other orphaned children. He was going to follow a routine but not the routine of a group. He was going to become a self-reliant, independent little fellow, eagerly running errands for his aunt, helping her in the house and learning how to do things for himself. With the change this boy's prospects for the future have brightened remarkably.

Talmudic Scholar Taught Many Rabbis

Was Son Of Rabbi

The Rev. Dr. Simchah Soloveitchik, one of the leading Talmudic scholars and teachers in the country, died after a short illness at his home, 170 Rodney Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. He was 60 years old.

Member of a family of rabbinical scholars, he was born in Brest-Litovsk, Russia, in 1881, the son of Joseph B. Soloveitchik, chief rabbi of that city. He studied for the rabbinate and at the age of 20, became chief rabbi of Mogilev, Russia.

After serving in that post for more than twenty years, he came to the United States in 1924. He was chief rabbi of the Brisker Synagogue on Allen Street for many years and also was connected with the Tifereth Israel Synagogue at Bedford Avenue and Clymer Street, Brooklyn.

In recent years, Dr. Soloveitchik had not been connected with any synagogue and devoted his time to studying and teaching. He numbered among his many pupils many of the leading rabbis of Europe and the United States.

He leaves a widow, Delia; a son, the Rev. Joseph B. Soloveitchik of Spring Valley, N.Y.; and two grandchildren.

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• **Jewish General Hospital:** Mr. and Mrs. Allan Bronfman, 9 Belvedere Road, were at home in honor of the patronesses of the life-saving fund of the Women's Auxiliary, Mrs. Alton Goldbloom, president, and Dr. Goldbloom, receiving with them. The following assisted during the tea hour: Mesdames H. Singer, Victor Michaels, M. J. Raff, H. J. Levinson, L. K. Freedman, S. W. Jacobs (Belmont Avenue), Miss Dorothy Hart, Albert Wener, A. C. Benjamin, Sydney Isaacs, O. Faerman, J. Levinson, Sr., J. Sternthal, Jack Klein, Sydney Levitt, Lyon Cohen, Samuel Hart, Harry Tarshis, Emanuel Solomon, I. Bruck, A. Z. Cohen, Harry Bronfman, J. Cohen, N. Denbow, I. Rosenbloom, Allan Bronfman, Jr., Lawrence Lande. They were assisted by: Misses Minda Bronfman, Beth Tannenbaum, Hannah Jacobs, Rona Bronfman, Joan Levinson, Sonia Elkin, Lisl Backer.

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• **A.Z.A.** annual Sabbath was held at Beth David Synagogue. Present were the parents of members and their friends. Melvin Sidler, president of the Sons of Utopia Chapter, [illegible] Rabbi B. Bergman [illegible] "How The Bible Explains The Present Crisis". Isidore M. Shiffman, past president of the Mogen David Adeph Club, spoke on "Religion in The Present Crisis"; David Weinstein, president of the Montreal Council and of the Reuben Brainin Chapter, "Youth And Religion"; Abe Cohen, president of Adelphi Chapter, "How Sukkoth Is Celebrated In Different Lands"; Jerry Rose, director of A.Z.A., spoke on the organization. H. Saltzman sang hymns.

• Dr. Charles I. Finklestein, Park Avenue, will attend the Greater New York Dental Convention in New York the week of December 1st.

• **Adath Israel Sisterhood** meeting Monday evening, December 1st, will have Madame Pierre Casgrain as guest speaker. Friends invited.

• **Young Judaea** Leadership Club, Judaean Centre, 5334 Park Avenue, heard Nathan Shuster, vice-president, Canadian Young Judaea, talk on current events; S. J. Leibowits, acting educational director, Shaar Hashamayim Synagogue, on Jewish history, beginning with Abraham to the present; Miss Shaindle Stipelman, executive secretary, Canadian Young Judaea, on how to introduce "Hebrew Song" to the Jewish child. Miss Stipelman taught the members new songs. Executive who will appoint officers from among themselves are: David Joffre, Harry Kliger, Misses Bernice Soloway, Faigie Edelberg, Celia Josps. Next meeting Wednesday, December 3rd. All interested are invited.

• **Jewish General Hospital:** For Women's Auxiliary collection of fifty or more empty bottles and jars, call: Mrs. M. I. Golden, DE. 8103; Mrs. S. Wittes, DE. 8361. Board meets Wednesday, December 3rd, at 2.30 p.m., at the Montefiore Club, 1195 Guy Street. President is Mrs. Alton Goldbloom.

• **Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority:** Members of Epsilon Chapter, McGill University, who visited internees at Camp 1, De Aux Noix, St. Paul, were: Misses Rosalie Arbess, Nadja Liverant, Edythe Bronstein, Beatrice Kirsch, and Miss Ethel Ostry, supervisor of the Child and Family Welfare Departments of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies. On the invitation of the chapter, Professor Forrest Laviolette, professor of sociology at the University, and Mrs. Laviolette joined the group.

• **Samuel Bronfman,** Belvedere Road, gave $10,000 to the McGill University school of commerce to be received in five equal annual amounts.

• Mrs. Edward Solomon, Arlington Avenue, who spent a week in Detroit attending the Convention of the Women's League of the United Synagogue, was appointed one of the vice-presidents and Canadian representative.

• **Council of Jewish Women** give-or-get luncheon on Wednesday, December 17th, at the Montefiore Club, has Mrs. H. Hart in charge; Mrs. I. Kert and Mrs. B. Matta, ticket convenors; Lady Bowhill, guest speaker. Subscribers include: Mesdames Sydney Levitt, B. Robinson, B. Rubin, S. Bronfman, A. Bronfman, B. Medine, P. Fram, L. Notkin, S. W. Jacobs, J. J. Jacobs, Charles Sommer, Joseph Goodson, C. Shane, J. Victor, J. Wiener, Charles Rosenthall, Charles Asch, B. Albert, Joseph Lefcoe, W. Rosengarten, M. Segal, G. G. Kenny, B. Lefcort, J. Fine.

• **Laurentian Camp Juniors:** Mrs. Allan Bronfman, Jr., Westmount Avenue, will be at home on Saturday, November 29th, at 3.30 p.m. to a paid-up membership tea. Mrs. Leon Rolber is president.

• **Three Rivers Hebrew Ladies Club** at the home of Mrs. M. Salsmen, Radisson Avenue, decided to make up a Christmas parcel to send to a soldier overseas. Mrs. M. Saloman presided and Mrs. I. Stekuman read the minutes.

• **Hebrew Ladies Sick Benefit** Society board met at the home of Mrs. M. Melnick. Mr. and Mrs. M. Melnick were hosts at a housewarming in their new home, 9558 Esplanade Avenue. Mrs. C. Eisenwasser presided. Present were: Mesdames D. Slutsky, A. Plotkin, C. Eisenwasser, A. Bruckner, A. Gillman, A. Garber, M. Sc[illegible]rts, R. Antecol, R. Sherman, A. Finkelbaum, M. Plotkin, I. Antecol, C. Wiltzer, W. Weiss, F. Noodelman, J. S. Hoffer, B. Farovitch, P. Rosenberg, E. Levine, M. Melnick, M. Pinchuk, H. Shuster, R. Eirlich. Honorary members: M. Melnick, D. Slutsky, J. Hoffer, H. Antecol, A. Garber, H. Shuster. Mr. and Mrs. Melnick were presented with a table lamp by the officers and board members. Mrs. H. Shuster, who was a guest after a long illness resulting from a fractured hip, was financial secretary for thirteen years, and was presented with an alarm clock. A linen bridge set donated by the hosts was raffled and won by Mrs. M. Pinchuk.

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The extent to which the Bank of Montreal is participating in the war-time activity of industry and commerce through its branches in every part of the Dominion is impressively exemplified by its annual statement, issued recently, which reveals operations during the past year that in volume are at the highest levels in the history of the institution.

A. J. Kirschner, O.D., a graduate of the University of Montreal, who has specialized in visual problems and orthoptics (eye muscle training), has opened an office at 5006 Park Avenue, Montreal.

• **Zionist Organization:** Mrs. J. E. Cohen and Mrs. J. Ehrlberg, of Judith Chapter of Hadassah, children of the late Max Adelson and Mrs. Gussie Adelson, inscribed their parents' names in the Ushishkin Golden Book, contributing to the Jewish National Fund $200 donated by Goldie Schneiderman, Jack, Irving and Miss Adelson.

• **Temple Emanu-El:** Rabbi Dr. Harry J. Stern, service, Friday will have as guest preacher Rev. Dr. James G. Heller, president, Central Conference of American Rabbis. Subject: "The Assault On Religion". Reception, Saturday, November 29th, at 11:30, sermonettes by Dr. Stern. "Women's Contribution In The Present Crisis" will be the theme of the Sisterhood meeting on Tuesday afternoon, December 9th; "Women Of Russia", Mrs. Howard Lewinson, of England, Mrs. L. U. Michael, of the United States and Canada, Mrs. Norman N. Gerser, of Palestine, Mrs. S. Friedman, of Switzerland, Mrs. I. A. Popliger. Tea Study Group meets Tuesday, December 2nd, at 11 a.m. Dr. Stern leader; convenors, Mrs. G. G. Gray, Mrs. Jack Freedman. Congregational elected: 59th annual meeting: honorary president, Dr. Abram Bercovitch, honorary trustees, Charles N. Sommer, Harry E. Davis; president, Louis Wolfe; others, Arthur Simon, I. Sydney Isaacs, Hyman Grover, Felix Lewis, David G. Jassby, George Hollinger, Maurice Garfinkle, Norman Genser, William Cittes, Alvin J. Walker, Arthur S. Jacobs, I. Irving Tarshis, A. L. Mailman. Dr. Bercovitch was presented by William Gittes, for the Board of Trustees, with a gift. In behalf of trustees, Dr. A. Bercovitch reported; Sisterhood, Mrs. Arthur Simon; Brotherhood, Martin Arnoviz; Young Peoples Society, Mrs. Arthur Frenes; Temple Cemetery, Arthur Simon; treasurer, Hyman Grover; Religious School, George Hollinger; and A. L. Mailman, Michael Hirsch, Gene Kruger, the Rabbi spoke. Gene H. Kruger has given $500, and Mrs. Joseph Kruger, $100.

• **Congregation Shaar Hashomayim** Dr. H. Abramowitz, rabbi, Erev Shabbos, November 28th; candle lighting at 4:40; services at 4:50; Sabbath, Shacharis at 9 a.m. Scriptural readings: Torah, Genesis, Ch. 28 v. 10 — Ch. 32 v. 3, and Prophets, Hoseah, Ch. 12, v. 13 — Ch. 14, v. 10. Mincha at 4:45; Maariv at 5:25. Weekday, Sunday, at 8:30 a.m.; mornings at 7:30; evenings at 6.30; Women's Auxiliary on Wednesday, December 10th, at 2:45 p.m. will hear a report on the Convention of the Women's League of the United Synagogue by Mrs. Edward Solomon. On December 16th, Chanukah supper party at 7 p.m. Kosh supper party at 7 p.m. Tickets from Mrs. M. Greenblatt, Ha 6531; Mrs. I. F. Livingstone, Wi. 2269. Committee: Mesdames M. Cummings, I. Mendel, H. Robinson, B. H. Rubin, H. Shulman. In Junior services were: Edward Daniels, Bernard Cooper, Gordon Edelstone, (in celebration of the anniversary of his bar-mitzvah), Mortimer Flanders, Marcel Israel, Capt. S. G. Levi, Perry Meyer, David Robinson, Larry Simon. Stephen Rau opened the Ark and Marylin Block explained the Sedra. Rabbi Abramowitz was in Detroit, where he presented an address on "Jewish World Scenes" at the convention banquet of the Women's League of the United Synagogue of America.

• At a benefit musicale given at the home of Mrs. Morton M. Mendel, Victoria Avenue, the following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Moe Yelin, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Berman, Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Shuter, Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Toker, Dr. Gisella Freedman, Dr. and Mrs. William Gesundo, Mr. and Mrs. D. Elkin, Mr. and Mrs. A. Rochman, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Barza, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dainow, Mr. and Mrs. A. Greenberg, Mr. and Mrs. M. Wisenthal, Mr. and Mrs. Cedric Rothschild, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Levine, Mrs. Leon Rosenbaum, Misses Lillian Benjamin, Ruth Shefer, Janet Mendels, Carol Mendelsohn, Paula Gelber, Ethel Ostry, Betty Myers, Ruth Levine; Seymour Elkin, Henry Benjamin, B. Greenman, Max Schnabl, A. Bernstein, David Goodman, Armand Finn, Samuel Golinsky.

• **Jewish People's Schools,** parents-teachers Association on Wednesday, December 3, at 8.45 p.m., will present Dr. E. A. Blumenfeld as guest speaker. Subject: "Communicable Diseases."

Loans Up $42,000,000

The Bank's resources at October 31st last, the end of its financial year, are shown at $1,046,551,000, which is an increase of $85,216,000 over last year, the total assets being the highest shown in any annual statement of the bank in its 124 years of operation. As against these resources, the liabilities to the public stand at $939,-645,000, leaving an excess over such liabilities of $76,906,000 which represents the shareholders' equity. How strongly the Bank is entrenched in respect to meeting contingencies is further shown by the total of its quickly available assets, which at $705,662,000, an increase of $42,476,000 as compared with last year, are equal to 73 per cent of all liabilities to the public.

The statement, which is published in another column, is in the "easily understandable" form which it has been the bank's practice in recent years to present to the public. This year the explanatory notes which accompany the various totals contain additional information. Thus, instead of merely giving the totals of the deposits and commercial and other loans, these items are accompanied by tabulations showing the totals for Canada and the totals for elsewhere.

Large Increase In Deposits

The deposits this year reach the large total of $928,397,000, an increase over last year of $79,522,000, and of the total, $809,110,000 are in Canada and $119,277,000 elsewhere.

In financing the expanding operations of manufacturers, farmers, merchants and others, the trend of the Bank's commercial and other loans continues upwards. The total of such loans, at $275,698,000, is an advance over last year's figures of $42,138,000. Of the total loans $254,427,000 are in Canada and $21,271,000 elsewhere.

On the other hand, loans to provincial and municipal governments, at $26,994,000 are down by $8,949,000, which may be taken as a sign of improvement in the finances of these public bodies. Call loans remain in the moderate figures of recent years. In Canada they stand at $4,472,000, slightly down from last year; elsewhere they stand at $15,569,000 a reduction of nearly $4,000,000.

Of the Bank's liquid assets, referred to in the statement as "quickly available resources," there are increases in cash and in Dominion Government and other bonds. The cash and deposits with the Bank of Canada at $92,755,000, is higher by $9,721,000 than last year. Notes of and cheques on other banks at $38,972,000 and money on deposit with other banks at $34,960,000, show no significant change. Investments in Government and other bonds and debentures amount to $490,740,000, which is higher by $30,913,000. It is explained that the greater portion of these investments is in Dominion Government and high-grade provincial and municipal securities which mature at early dates, a statement which indicates that the Bank is continuing its policy of confining its portfolio of investments mainly to short-term securities.

Profits Show Little Change

After payment of Dominion Government taxes amounting to $2,242,905, the profits for the year were $3,471,026, being approximately in the same figures as last year. The amount represents a return on the shareholders' equity of 4.51 per cent. After payment of the customary dividend there remained a surplus of $57,026 to be carried forward to balance of profit and loss account.

Following are salient features in the statement:

	1941 $	1940 $
Total Resources	1,046,551,479	961,334,950
Liquid Resources	705,662,010	663,185,436
Deposits—		
In Canada	809,110,875	731,081,210
Elsewhere	119,277,013	117,794,139
Govt. & Other Bonds	490,740,536	461,827,040
Commercial Loans—		
In Canada	254,427,218	218,758,134
Elsewhere	21,271,754	14,801,334
Prov. & Munic. Loans	26,964,546	35,313,063
Call Loans—		
In Canada	4,472,437	4,606,348
Elsewhere	15,569,284	19,552,470
Capital Surplus, Undivided Profits and Reserves for Dividends	76,905,570	77,057,626
Profits	3,437,026	3,435,941

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MARRIAGES

Bernstein-Steinberg

The marriage of Annette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Steinberg, to Milton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Bernstein, took place on November 23rd, Rabbi S. Herschorn officiating. The bride was given away by her uncle, Joseph Steinberg. She wore a white gown with bodice of brocaded satin, the plain satin skirt falling into a train. Her finger-tip length veil fell from a pleated fan-shaped headdress and she carried a bible covered with orchids. Miss Rita Steinberg, sister of the bride, was her only attendant. She wore a gown similar to that of the bride, in pale blue bengaline and taffeta, with a similar headdress in pale blue with pink and blue flowers, and carried an arm bouquet of pink roses. Jack Adelson was best man. The bride's mother wore an afternoon dress of light blue crepe, with black accessories and a corsage of American Beauty roses. The groom's mother wore a dinner gown of black jersey, with black accessories and deep red roses. After a dinner for one hundred guests, the couple left for the Laurentians.

Segal-Gibson

The marriage of Miss Naomi Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Gibson, Prudhomme Avenue, to Jack Segal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Segal, was solemnized on Sunday, November 23, in the Queen's Hotel, Rabbi Charles Bender officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her father and wore a white crepe gown with taffeta jacket, the skirt forming a train. Her veil of tulle illusion was caught with orange blossoms and her bouquet was composed of white pompoms and carnations. The bride's only attendant was Miss Sarah Segal, sister of the groom, wearing a floor-length gown of pale blue taffeta, with a calot and veil to match, and carrying a nosegay of carnations. Fred Gibson, brother of the bride, was best man. The bride's mother wore a black floor-length gown and jacket turimmed with gold sequins, with a corsage of pink roses. The groom's mother was in a blue floor-length gown, and corsage of roses. Dinner for the immediate family was followed by a reception for over one hundred guests. The tables were centred with snap-dragons and marigolds. The bride and groom left for a week's stay at Trout Lake and will live at 3256 Prudhomme Avenue. Out-of-town guests were: Mrs. O. S. Baldwin, of Chicago; Mrs. L. Dworkin and daughter, Mrs. R. Progosh and Miss Rebecca Soffrin, of Ottawa; and Benjamin Marcovitch, of Brantford, Ontario.

Aronson-Singer

The marriage of Eileen, daughter of Maurice Singer and the late Mrs. Singer, Monkland Avenue, to Joseph M. Aronson, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. Aronson, of Boston, took place on November 16, at Temple Emanu-El, Rabbi Dr. Harry J. Stern officiating. The bride is a licentiate of music of McGill University, and Mr. Aronson is a graduate in arts and science of Harvard University. Mr. and Mrs. Aronson went by plane to Western Canada, and are now living on Westmount Boulevard.

Singman-Keyfitz

The marriage of Miss Gertrude Keyfitz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Keyfitz, Addington Avenue, to Reuben Singman, son of Joseph Singman and the late Mrs. Singman, was solemnized on Sunday, November 23rd, at Temple Emanu-El, Rabbi Harry J. Stern officiating. The bride wore a soldier blue dress in princess style, matching turban with veil, and corsage of Talisman roses. Miss Ruth Keyfitz, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, wearing a turquoise blue dress, and corsage of pink roses. Moss Goldstein acted as best man. Dinner followed at the Mount Royal Hotel. The couple left later for Niagara Falls, Hamilton, and Toronto. The bride travelled in her wedding dress and a black coat trimmed with mink. Out-of-town guests were: Mrs. Max Holtzman, of Hartford, Conn.; Mark Keyfitz, of Toronto; and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Keyfitz, of Ottawa.

Cohen-Kirshenbom

The marriage of Lily, daughter of Mrs. Jane Kirshenbom, 4287 St. Urbain Street, and the late David Kirshenbom, to Hyman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Cohen, 4648 Clarke Street, was solemnized on Sunday, November 16th, Rev. H. Rothblatt officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her mother and brother, Harry Kirshenbom. She wore a white brocaded satin gown, and finger-tip veil falling from a pearl headdress, and carried a bouquet of Easter lilies. Miss Esther Cohen, sister of the groom, was maid of honor, wore a pink embossed taffeta gown with matching headdress, and carried a bouquet of American Beauty roses. Ben. Grekin acted as best man. Mrs. Kirshenbom, mother of the bride, wore a teal blue dinner gown with sequin girdle and matching turban, and corsage of orchids. Mrs. Cohen, mother of the groom, wore a bottle-green dinner gown, with matching hat, and a corsage of Talisman roses. A reception followed for one hundred and twenty-five guests, Mr. and Mrs. I. Brotheman, of Victoriaville, and Mr. and Mrs. M. Bergman, of St. John's, Quebec, being among the guests. Mr. and Mrs. Cohen left for a trip to Toronto and will live at 4287 St. Urbain Street.

Levitz-Spires

The marriage of Miss Alla Spires, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Spires, Wilson Avenue, to Herbert Levitz, of Washington, D.C., son of the late Harry Levitz, and of Mrs. Levitz, of Grahamsville, N.Y., took place on November 16, at three o'clock in the Queen's Hotel, the Rev. Dr. H. Abramowitz officiating, assisted by Cantor N. Mendelsohn. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore an afternoon dress of powder-blue crepe, with matching shoes, toning feather hat, and shoulder-length veil. She carried a white Bible covered with orchids and Sweetheart roses. Her maid of honor, Miss Gertrude Gothell, wore a beige crepe dress with brown feather hat, and carried a nosegay of Talisman roses. The mother of the bride wore a gold crepe dress trimmed with sequins. Her accessories were of gold and black and she had a corsage of Talisman roses. The groom was attended by his brother, David Levitz, of Grahamsville, N.Y., as best man. The couple left on a motor trip to Niagara Falls. They will take up residence in Washington, D.C.

ENGAGEMENTS

Dr. and Mrs. Norman Viner, Bishop Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Bernice Hope, to Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Gold, Dunlop Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Saltzman, Laurier Avenue West, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Edith, to Ben, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Rashkovan, Esplanade Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. William Schecter, 5198 Durocher Avenue, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Freida, to Aaron, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Lupovitch, Mount Royal Avenue West.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Rosen, de l'Epee Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Edith, to Irving, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Browman, Atwater Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Nulman announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to David, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Chazan.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Handel, Jeanne Mance Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Doris to Eli, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Seltzer, Esplanade Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Danoffsky, 3052 Delisle Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah, to Harry, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Wruddewsky (Ruby), 5737 Jeanne Mance Street.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Zittrer, Queen Mary Road, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Julienne, to Irving, Wenger, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Wenger, 1331 Lajoie Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Morantz, Marcil Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rita, to George J. Sacarob, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Sacarob, of Haverhill, Mass. Mr. Sacarob is a graduate of Boston University.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Zuker, 102 Villeneuve Street West, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Bertha, to William Sugar, son of Mrs. A. Fogel, Victoria Avenue.

BIRTHS

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital on Sunday, November 23rd, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sandberg (nee Helen Cytryn), a son, a brother to Perry.

Born, at the Jewish General Hospital, on November 23rd, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Bercovitch (nee Evelyn Tinkoff), a daughter.

Born, on Sunday, November 16th, at the Jewish General Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Portner, a son, brother to Gerald.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Saul Shachter (nee Leah Engel), at the Jewish General Hospital, on November 26th, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Adler (nee Belia Fogel), at the Jewish General Hospital, on November 24th, a son, brother to Melvin.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my dear mother, Fanny Eisenstein, of Toronto, who passed away the 8th day of Kislev (November 20th) 1938. Ever remembered by her daughter, Rose Charness.

DEATHS

L/AC. Samuel M. Levine, 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Levine, of 5730 Northmount Avenue, and one of two brothers in the R.C.A.F., was killed when the Harvard trainer he was piloting crashed into Northumberland Strait. L/AC. Levine, who would have received his wing at No. 9 Service Flying Training School, Summerside, P.E.I., was born in Montreal and educated at Strathcona Academy. He enlisted last February and trained at Toronto, Oshawa, Victoriaville and Chatham before being transferred to Summerside. He was well known as a tennis player, being a former champion of the North Branch, Y.M.C.A. He participated in inter Y.M.C.A. competitions and he won the Summerside championship this summer. His brother, Thomas H. joined the Air Force in December last year and is stationed at Pennfield, N.B. L/AC. Levine is also survived by his wife, formerly Margaret Fullerton, of Sackville, N.B., whom he married last June; his parents; two older brothers, Robert and Jack, and a sister, Lisbe.

Rev. Bernard Michael Kaplan, author, lecturer and dramatist, died in his home 644 West 204th Street, New York, after a long illness. He was 67 years old. Born in Linkovo, Lithuania, the son of Michael Sheftel and Feigel Mayor Kaplan, he came to the United States in his childhood. Rev. Kaplan was rabbi of McGill College Avenue Synagogue of the Shaar Hashomayim congregation in Montreal from 1896 to 1902. During his stay in Canada he was appointed honorary Jewish chaplain of the Dominion by the Minister of Justice. After the death of his first wife, the former Lena Manales, he married Ray Steinman of Portsmouth, Va., in 1918. He leaves a widow, two daughters, Mrs. M. D. Maisonnoh, and Mrs. Louis R. Raphael of New Britain, Conn., and two sons, Armone M. Kaplan, of New York, and Daniel B. Kaplan of Naples, Maine.

Elinor Yuniee, age three weeks, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Nueman, Villeneuve Street West, died at the Children's Memorial Hospital on November 18th, after a brief illness.

Samuel Goldberg died suddenly on November 23rd. He was the husband of Minnie Saxe, father of Joseph, Freda, Helen (Mrs. Richard Goldner), Nathan, and Walter; and also leaves two grandchildren; four brothers, David Goldberg, Charles Goldberg, Peter Gordon, Moe Goldberg; and one sister, Mrs. Leslie Cohen. Shiva was at 5560 St. Lawrence Boulevard.

Simon Miller, 76 years, died on November 19th. He was president of Beni Jacob Synagogue for a number of years and was well-known as a merchant. Surviving are his wife, formerly Leah Hanauer; six daughters, Mesdames J. Brodie, J. Kert, M. Pedvis, H. Shapiro, H. Drimer, H. Yaphe; and eight sons, Max, Barney, Louis, Irving, Jack, Allen, Pte. William Miller, and Raymond; and eleven grandchildren. Shiva at 4812 Hutchison Street.

Benjamin Landau died suddenly at his home, 5033 Jeanne Mance Street, on November 22. He is survived by his wife, Anna Cohen; children, Pauline and Lewis; and one sister, Ida. Burial took place in the Independent Hebrew Sick Benefit Cemetery at Cartierville.

Israel Weber died suddenly on Thursday, November 20th. Surviving are his wife, Sarah Bloom; one daughter, Mrs. Mac Feldman, (Ida); two sons, Louis and Philip. Funeral was from Paperman's Funeral Parlor. Burial at Beaconsfield Hebrew Cemetery. Shiva at 5985 Hutchison Street.

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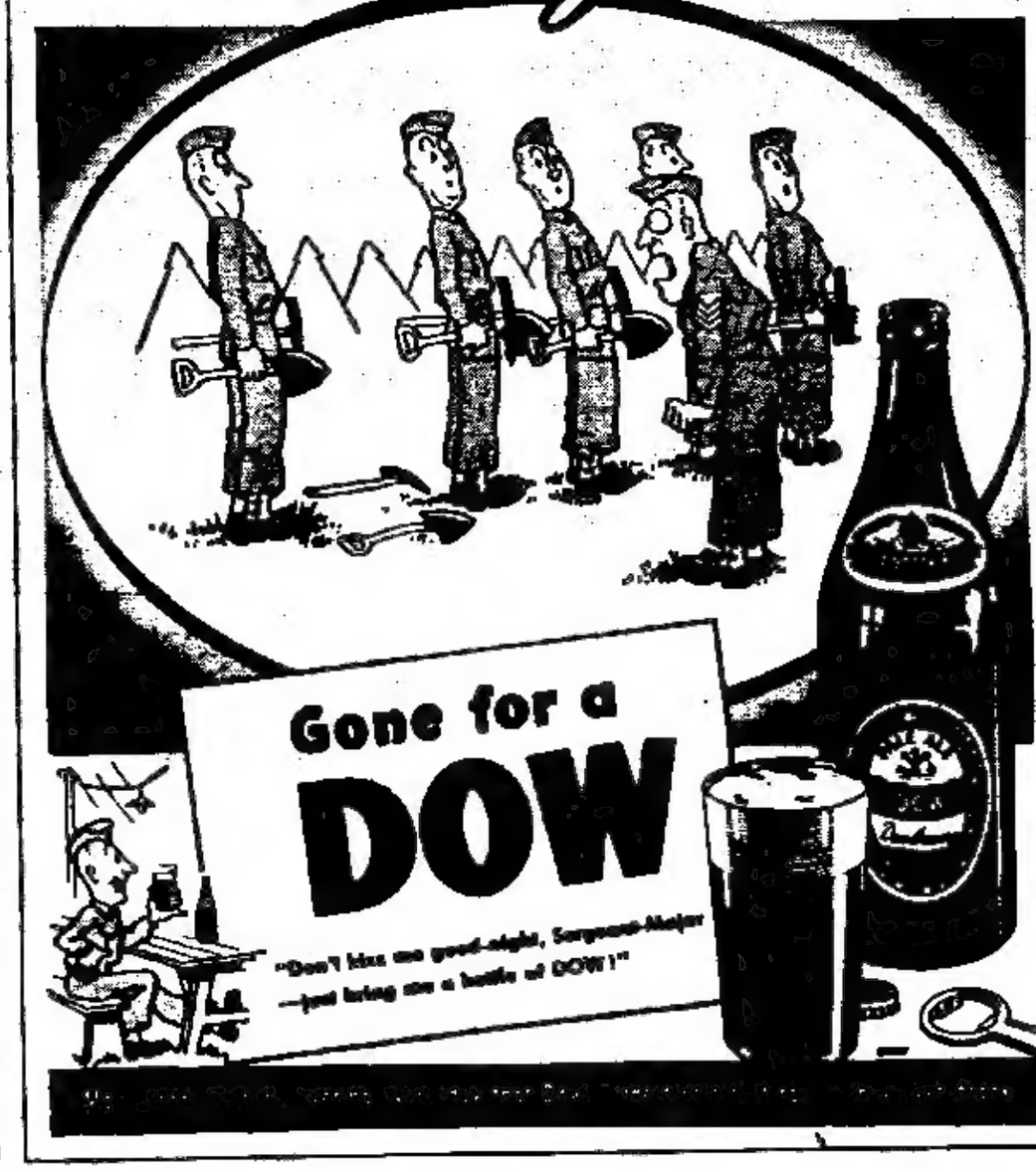

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● **Beaches Sisterhood** at the home of Mrs. M. Marshall, 115 Wineva Avenue, planned the installation supper for December 14th, and collected for Mrs. Winston Churchill War Fund. Next meeting at the home of Mrs. Louis Polsinoff, 20 Cavendish Street, December 2nd.

● **Shaw Street Synagogue:** Ladies Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. I. Epstein, Beatrice Street, Mrs. I. Spivak presiding. Mrs. B. Heisel, president, outlined plans for the bingo in January. Wool was distributed.

● **Club Mon Zahn** social was at the home of Mrs. Joseph Solomon, 240 Dewhurst Boulevard. This newly organized group of young married women affiliated with the Jewish Old Folks' Home is open for membership. Call Mrs. A. Dacks, LL. 8804.

● **Shaarei Shomayim Congregation,** 940 St. Clair Avenue West, Oneg Shabbath services, November 28th, at 8:30 p.m., will hear Dr. S. W. Leslie, guest speaker, on "Jewish Psychology." Sermonette by Rabbi David Monson. Cantor A. Steinberg and choir. Tea hostesses, Mrs. M. Freeman and Mrs. H. Bolter. All welcome.

● **Mothers Auxiliary,** 59th Boy Scout Group, dessert luncheon in December 2nd, at 1 p.m., at St. Clair Avenue Synagogue. Guest speaker, Mrs. Tinkna Litner Cohn.

● **Daughters of Israel Charity Society** at the Workmen's Circle Centre, Beverley Street, Mrs. I. H. Chapnick presiding, held nominations. Junior Daughters of Israel were organized, Mrs. E. Weiner, president. Shelter bags equipped for air raids will be shipped to England. Annual concert, November 30th, at Royal York Hotel.

● **Leon Chester Baker,** son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Baker, 2 Coolmine Road, won a scholarship for chemistry, efficiency and leadership at Bloor Collegiate, and is now studying pharmacy.

● **Northcliffe Bridge Club** donated $25 to Mount Sinai Hospital. Members: Mesdames H. Bolter, C. Clarfield, M. Freedman, S. Saltzman, S. Charendoff, M. Freeman, F. Gordon, M. Fine, H. Silver.

● **Hebrew Maternity Aid Society** child welfare executive met at the home of Mrs. A. Ginsburg, 320 Richview Avenue, with Mrs. D. Silver, president, in the chair. For the annual eat and endowment tea and dessert luncheon on Thursday, December 4th, at the home of Mrs. L. Yoffee, 104 Lyndhurst Avenue, from 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., convenors are Mesdames L. Yoffee and L. S. Yoffee. Proceeds go for cots at Queen Mary Hospital for Consumptive Children, Mount Sinai Hospital; annual gift to Hospital for Sick Children; and to Women's College Hospital.

● **Girls 20-21** for social and bridge club, call Miss Helen Rappaport, LL. 5802 7-10 p.m.

● **Mount Sinai Hospital:** Twigs and Club Alexis Millionaires Night at McCaul Street Synagogue, December 6th, will give the first hundred women and first hundred men free souvenirs. Prizes at games. Lucky number door prize. Refreshments and dancing. Committee: Misses Sadye Sacroh, Sylvia Rose, Fannie Heiber, Anne Simmonett, Anne Shaw, Shirley Alspector, Rose Sacroh, Ida Brown, Fay Silver, Florence Postel.

Please be advised that the publication date of the Review has been changed to Friday of the same week. Items that do appear in daily papers before the Review goes to press will be omitted.

● **Free Loan Association** board of directors, at Scheuer House, heard J. Marin, president, report for the past four months that 140 loans were granted, amounting to $18,480.50, and repayments on loans aggregated $20,764.97. Small contributions were received from grateful borrowers who had been assisted to become self-supporting. Mr. Marin stressed the importance of members continuing to increase the capital funds. L. Gelber is honorary president; others D. Lavine, M. Oelbaum, M. Rosen, M. Wolfe, E. Pullan, J. Andrews, B. Forer, F. M. Catzman, W. Agranove, H. Birnbaum, M. Birnbaum, J. H. Coleman, D. Dunkleman, M. Frankfort, A. Geller, S. Godfrey, L. Greisman, M. Greisman, E. Herman, J. Herman, B. Hillman, S. Kronick, J. I. Oelbaum, M. Rosenstein, B. Sadowsky, J. Schwartz, S. M. Shapiro, H. Smith, G. Solway, L. Weinstein, J. Winberg, S. J. Zacks, J. Steinhart, executive secretary.

● **Jewish Old Folks Home** tea on November 30th, from 3 to 10 p.m., at 10 Kendal Avenue, has as hostesses: Mesdames H. Elgen, J. Rosenblatt, A. Feinstein, A. Rosenblatt, J. Seigel, D. Hartzman; and assistants: Mesdames H. Feinstein, A. Dacks, B. B. Conway, N. Eckler, J. Salzman, T. Bederman, A. Goldblatt, O. Scher, L. Bass, S. Charney, M. Atkins, L. Bader, H. Ungerer.

● **Hadassah:** Queen Esther Chapter met at the home of Mrs. M. Dorfman, Manning Avenue, Mrs. J. Lalkowitz presiding. Bridge, December 8th, at 456 Spadina Avenue. Mrs. O. Rosenfeld and Mrs. I. Shapiro volunteered to help in the War Savings Stamp campaign. Mrs. M. Krins welcomed Mrs. G. Grossman, a new member. Junior Hadassah tombola dance at Mahoney's Art Galleries, November 29th, patrons are: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rotenberg, Rabbi and Mrs. Samuel Sacks, Rabbi and Mrs. S. Rivlin, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Glass, K.C., M.P.P., Dr. and Mrs. M. Zimmerman, Rabbi and Mrs. Moshe Gold, Rabbi and Mrs. David Monson, Mr. and Mrs. L. Adelberg, Mr. and Mrs. P. Dolgoff, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman James, Mr. and Mrs. David Dunkelman, Mr. and Mrs. Louis James, Mr. and Mrs. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kert, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kronick, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Rotenberg, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Samuels, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Solway. Proceeds for mobile canteens soldiers clubs and huts, aircraft ambulance and other projects in England and Palestine.

● **Ladies Independent Society,** Mrs. R. Chousky presiding, held nominations for officers. War Work group meets every Monday at the home of Mrs. R. Chousky, 171 Euclid Avenue. Mrs. W. Bellak donated a bath towel set which was raffled and won by Mrs. S. Devorotsky.

Social Notes — Toronto

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Edelstein, of Ottawa, stopped at the Royal York Hotel for a few days.

Mrs. Meyer Bald, Old Forest Hill Road, is spending a few weeks in New York.

Mrs. L. I. Pullan, Bathurst Street, has returned home after visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Hershorn, of Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fitch, of Montreal, stopped at the Royal York Hotel for a few days.

David Faber, R.C.A.F., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Faber, Rosemary Road.

Pte. Sydney Roth, of Victoria, B.C., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Roth, 35 Peveril Hill North, for two weeks.

Miss Ruth White, Palmerston Boulevard, has returned home after visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman G. Goteiner, in Clinton, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krangle, Lakeview Avenue, and Mrs. Arthur I. Salem, Castlefield Avenue, were in Detroit for a few days, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Temchin.

Mrs. Louis Baimsky, of Montreal, is visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. B. Fitch, Howland Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rosman, formerly of 1660 Bathurst Street, have taken up residence at 46 Lauder Avenue.

Mrs. D. Kasler, Palmerston Boulevard, is spending two weeks in Washington, D.C.

Michael Goldstone, of New York, spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Goldstein, Markham Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Berger and family, formerly of 488 Montrose Avenue, have taken up residence at 219 Russholme Road.

Mrs. J. Segal, 1382 Davenport Road, spent four weeks in Richmond, Virginia, with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rosenthal, and their new-born daughter, Barbara.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Levy, Christie Street, have returned from Los Angeles, Cal., where they spent a month.

Miss Beatrice Roebuck, of Detroit, Mich., is spending two weeks with Miss Belle Bernholtz, Euclid Avenue.

Al. Wintrob, of New York, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Wintrob, Huron Street.

Mrs. D. Caldsky, Sullivan Street, is spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. J. Abrem, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. A. Price and son, Harold, of Mount Vernon, N. Y., have returned home after visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. Schiff, Cecil Street.

Mrs. N. Traster, of Montreal, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Freedman, Clinton Street.

Mrs. Harry Harbour, Walmer Road, entertained in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Edelstein, of Ottawa.

Honoring Miss Margaret Isenberg, a bride-elect of December 7th, a luncheon was given at Diana Sweets. Those present were: Mesdames S. Isenberg, H. Kaplansky, S. Starr, A. Applebaum, J. Starr, M. Starr, A. Nissenbaum, L. Goldstein and A. Goldstein; Misses Carolyn Rice and Ruth Starr.

Entertaining for Miss Helen Simon, a bride-elect of December, Mesdames A. Feinberg, R. Feinberg and W. Feinberg, gave a bridge; Mrs. S. Bonza, Willard Avenue, bridge; Mrs. L. Shifman and Mrs. W. Gold, tea at Arcadian Court; Miss Simmie Levine, tea at the Royal York Hotel; Mrs. H. Bonza, Austin Terrace, bridge; Mrs. H. Thomson and Mrs. F. Bookman, cup and saucer tea at Eaton's Round Room; and Mrs. A. Lipson and Mrs. C. Davis, dinner and theatre.

Mrs. A. Newman was hostess at a tea at the Royal York Hotel, in honor of Miss Mary Stolberg, a bride-elect of December 7th. The bride-to-be wore a dress of black crepe and sequins, and a corsage of red roses. The hostess received in black crepe trimmed with blue, and corsage of roses, assisted by Mrs. M. Stolberg, mother of the bride-elect, in black crepe, and corsage of roses, and Mrs. M. Katz, mother of the groom-elect, in black and gold sequins, and corsage of roses. The tea table, covered with a lace cloth, held egg-shell colored candles, and was centered with a bowl of baby 'mums. Presiding were Mesdames J. Wiesberg and M. Stolberg. Their assistants were Misses Anne Wiesberg, Beatrice Stolberg, Sarah Katz, Eve Katz, and Mrs. E. Rosen. About twenty-five guests called.

Hostesses for Mrs. Norman Hurwitz, of Windsor, who before her recent marriage was Miss Muriel Atkins, of Toronto, were: Mrs. B. Atkins, at a tea; Mrs. I. Kokotow, of Kirkland Lake, presentation bridge; Mrs. B. Wayman, presentation dinner; Misses Reva Wolman and Leyah Gold, presentation bridge; Mrs. H. Korman, dinner; Miss Estelle Swerling, presentation tea at Georgian Room; Misses Myra Ratenberg and Ethel Hurwitz, presentation luncheon; Miss Rose Rogow and Mrs. P. Moscow, presentation tea; Mrs. L. Kofman and Mrs. H. Starr and Miss Enid Berenson, presentation theatre and tea; Mesdames B. Hoffman, S. Rogow, D. Senelickand and Miss Sophie Hoffman, presentation tea at Royal York; Mesdames P. Gordon and B. Albaum, presentation tea at Arcadian Court. Mrs. L. Lester, presentation theatre and tea; Mrs. I. Greenspoon, presentation theatre and tea; Mesdames J. Kofman, B. Kofman, B. Tannan, S. Stein, C. Stambler, L. Cohen, P. Sandler, W. Brown, M. Menkes and Miss Lillian Stambler, presentation tea at Arcadian Court; and Mesdames D. Minster, D. Swadron and I. Umansky, presentation bridge.

MARRIAGES

Berofe-Kizell

The marriage of Doris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Kizell, of Kingston, to Harry Berofe, R.C.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Berofe, of Bracebridge, took place on November 8th, at the King Edward Synagogue, in Ottawa, where the bride's parents were married twenty-five years before. Rabbi Oscar J. Fasman and Cantor J. Rabin officiated. The bride was given in marriage by her parents. Her gown of white brocaded damask was designed with fitted bodice and full skirt extending into a long train. Her headdress was a matching halo with shoulder-length veil of white net, and she carried a white prayer book showered with orchids and bouvardia. Miss Pauline Kizell, of Ottawa, was maid of honor, and the bridesmaids were Misses Ruth Berofe, of Bracebridge, Greta Kizell, of Kingston, and Sarah Leviter, of Ottawa, all wearing gowns of turquoise and rose net appliqued in silver, and halos of silver. William Paul, of Toronto, acted as best man, and the ushers were: Aaron Kizell, of Kingston; Philip Berman, of Ottawa; and Charles Simpson, of Toronto. At dinner for two hundred and fifty at the Talmud Torah Hall, the bride's mother received in a gown of Duhonnet lace, with black accessories, and a corsage of red roses; with the groom's mother in a gold gown, with brown accessories, and a corsage of roses. The couple left on a motor trip to Montreal and Quebec city, the bride wearing a blue ensemble, with matching turban and black accessories. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Ginsberg, of Huntsville; Mr. and Mrs. A. Rubin and Mr. and Mrs. M. Rubin, of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. S. Wiser, of North Bay; Mrs. M. Simon, of Detroit; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Paul and children, William and Maxine, Mr. and Mrs. A. Press, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Lederman, Mr. and Mrs. M. Snider, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simpson and daughter, Lorainne, Mr. and Mrs. H. Brown and daughter, Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. A. Feinstein, Mrs. S. Lelbowitz, grandmother of the groom, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Coleman, all of Toronto.

Brown-Bott

The marriage of Miss Belle Bott, Bellevue Avenue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham D. Bott, of Miami, Florida, to Rabbi Charles G. Brown, son of Mrs. Rachel Brown and the late Rabbi Fishel Brown, Euclid Avenue, took place on November 23rd, at Palmerston Avenue Synagogue, Rabbi J. Kemenetzky officiated, assisted by Cantor S. Zimelman, and the wedding music was played by Max Kramer. The bride was given in marriage by her parents. She wore a gown of silver lame and tulle with a sweetheart neckline and bouffant skirt, and a shoulder-length veil. Her bouquet was of pink roses and white lilies. Miss Helen Rosman, of Oshawa, in powder blue with lace top and full net skirt, was the maid of honor. Misses Harriet Laruk, in turquoise blue, and Mildred Rosman, of Oshawa, in powder blue, were the bridesmaids. Gwendolyn Stone, niece of the groom, in a floor-length dress of pink taffeta and matching bonnet, was flower girl. They all carried roses. Al. C. Brown was his brother's best man, and the ushers were Kelley Waldman and Norman Gorber, of Montreal. At the reception, the mother of the bride wore a gown of black velvet with jacket to match and a corsage of roses; the groom's mother wore a black crepe gown with sheer sleeves trimmed with gold beads. For the wedding trip to New York, Miami, Nassau and Bahama Island, the bride wore a blue wool dress and black seal coat. The couple will live in Toronto.

Levine-Baker

The marriage of Eva, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Baker, 913 Queen Street East, to Philip Levine, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Levinsky, of Russia, took place on November 23rd, Cantor A. Bernstein officiating. Morris Turk played the wedding music. Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a gown of white brocaded satin, with long sleeves, sweetheart neckline, and full skirt ending in a short train. She had pearls, the gift of the groom. Her finger-tip veil of tulle illusion fell from a pearl-studded halo, and she carried pink roses and white streamers. Miss Bessie Baker, sister of the bride, was maid of honor in blue taffeta, fitted bodice, and full gored skirt. She had a gold locket and carried red roses with blue streamers. Reuben Frankel acted as best man. The bride's mother received in a black crepe gown, and corsage of red roses; with the groom's sister-in-law, Mrs. A. Levinsky, of Hamilton, in black taffeta and velvet jacket, and corsage of red roses. The couple left on a trip to Montreal, the bride wearing a brown wool dress, black coat, and brown accessories. They will live in Toronto.

Cowan-Berg

The marriage of Miss Freda Berg, daughter of M. Berg and the late Mrs. Berg, to John Cowan, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Cohen, Markham Street, took place on November 22nd, Rabbi M. Zimmerman officiating. A reception followed for the immediate family at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. A. Pritzker, MacLean Avenue. The couple left on a trip to the United States, and will live at 6 Vermont Avenue.

APPROACHING MARRIAGES

Mr. and Mrs. A. Litwin, Euclid Avenue, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Florence, to Samuel, son of Mrs. Freelander and the late L. Freelander, Cameron Street, to take place on January 4th.

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. D. Kirsh (nee Rose Bolter), 330 Dufferin Street, on November 20th, at Toronto General Hospital, a son, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. H. Bolter, Northcliffe Boulevard.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Mac Goldman, 541 Shaw Street, on November 23rd, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, brother to Marvin.

DEATHS

Mrs. Fanny Yaffa, of 206 Ontario Street, died at the age of sixty-six, survived by one daughter, Anne, and one son, Philip. She was a member of the Berkeley Street Synagogue.

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The Reconstructionist Viewpoint

THE SYNAGOGUE AND THE COMING DEMOCRACY

By Edward T. Sandrow, Associate Editor, The Reconstructionist

Among President Roosevelt's "Four Freedoms" named in his statement of democratic principles, the freedom to worship according to the dictates of one's conscience has a direct bearing on the civic status of the Jew. To the Jew, the prospects of a post-war world where Judaism and all it implies in religious values and ideals will be free and unhampered by the constant fear of attack and destruction, is heart warming to contemplate, but when that time comes will the American synagogue be ready to utilize its opportunities by offering a message of spiritual guidance in a new and better world? Will it be able to take advantage of the rights and privileges vouchsafed by the democratic code of religious liberty so that it may take its rightful place with the agencies of social betterment and moral growth in establishing a better society? Will it be prepared to give the Jew that faith and hope which he, together with all Americans, will sorely need in a civilization rising out of the grave of millions of innocent victims of totalitarian greed and lust?

One wonders! For many Jews religious observance today remains largely a rote performance of certain prescribed conventional formalities. Only in connection with death or with marriage, do they reckon with religious norms and sanctions. Even the customs and rites associated with the Sabbath and holidays which, if conceived imaginatively and traditionally, have deep meaning and poetic attractiveness, to them seem empty ceremonials or meaningless superstitions. For many, even for those who like to consider themselves "synagogue-minded" Jews, the cultural vitality of religious practice has apparently vanished and with it has gone the efficacy of institutional religion as a frame of spiritual reference and as an influence on men's lives. This is a tragic fact. It is evidenced in some quarters in a demoralization of synagogue administration and of Jewish cultural development in general.

One is sometimes bewildered by the inadequacy of Jewish lay-leadership, which too often, though not always, exhibit symptoms of crassness and unrefinement, of cynical indifference to and even ignorance of spiritual values. Some lay leaders have no appreciation of the value of intellectual pursuits and there is very little of the spirit in what passes with them for religion. The name of this shortcoming is Unreligion, for it is not so much antagonism to religion as an inability to understand what it all means. The roots of this inability are to be found in the organization of the society in which we live.

For if there is any evil disposition that is almost chronic in our modern society, it is cynicism. One finds men of substance and influence in communities, who profess devotion to justice, self-denial and unswerving honesty, but who, because of general conditions, because of economic rivalries and social jealousies, acquire a profound and indestructible suspicion of appeals to all but the most material interests. Habitual mistrust becomes an instrument in the struggle for survival, and part of the equipment of the individual and of every operating agency including the congregation and even the State itself. When trust and idealism give way to suspicion and cynicism, as has happened in many places, organized religion finds it difficult to progress in advancing the cause of intellectual and spiritual values.

Proof of this is abundant in synagogue procedure. The synagogue is "run" on accountancy principles, in an atmosphere of coarseness and spiritual ignorance. The so-called spiritual leader is dealt with as an employee in charge of ritual formality. His activities are delimited by the meaningless distinction between "administrative" and "spiritual" spheres of decision. He is a fixture whose indispensability is principally conventional. This catalogue of un-Jewish and non-traditional attitudes toward the Rabbi might be expanded at length, but the point would not be the better made.

The question, therefore, arises: "How is the synagogue to be made a center of significant spiritual activity, how are its lay leaders and spiritual teachers to be prepared for the day when President Roosevelt's freedoms will become an undoubted fact?" The answer involves reconstruction of tremendous extent. No spiritual agency can function adequately in an environment which generates a cynicism as soul-destroying as that which prevails today. The chief remedy for unreligion is a revision of the social relationships of men with an eye to the modification of the ruthless competitiveness which breeds coarse materialism and obdurate opposition to ideals, a modification of the institutional nexus which relates each man to his fellows. Men will come to evaluate conduct by new criteria involving more far seeing and more humane means of implementing self-preservation. The prospect of comfort and plenty, held out by the freedom from want, another of Mrs. Roosevelt's proposed freedoms, should evoke cooperative rather than competitive enterprise, peace, rather than strife, and the welfare of the group must be made to appear at least as important to the individual as his own personal welfare.

At the same time, rabbis and laymen wholeheartedly devoted to the synagogue and its religious and moral teaching, must become gadflies clamoring for a change in congregational management, in furthering the cause of Jewish spiritual dignity and higher ethical standards.

When it becomes unnecessary for men to destroy each other in the quest for a livelihood, when men can deal with each other fairly and generously without danger to themselves, cynicism will become unnatural. Meanwhile the synagogue must oppose the current tendency. It must not be trapped into accepting the spurious distinction between "administrative" and "spiritual" activities but must make all its activities reenforce its spiritual purposes. It must in all its activities cultivate intellectual honesty, spiritual sensitiveness, ethical sincerity, aesthetic grandeur. Then will the synagogue be able to march forward with its consecrated task all the more fortified by the protection and encouragement of the President's "Freedoms."

One Hundred Years After The Damascus Affair

By Albert M. Hyamson, Former Palestine Immigration Director

Last year was the centenary of the Damascus blood accusation, a charge that put into jeopardy the Jewries of the Near and Middle East and had its reverberations throughout the civilized world even as far as North America. The ghetto period of Jewish history, that of blood accusations, charges of well-poisoning and the other stock slanders brought against minorities, especially religious ones, by the prejudice-sodden masses and the evil inspirers of public opinion that traded on their ignorance, seemed after tens of centuries to have passed away, when suddenly out of nothing the hateful charge against Jews of using human blood in their ritual was revived and obtained credence over a widespread area.

On February 5, 1840, Father Tommaso, a Capuchin friar of Damascus, disappeared under mysterious circumstances. He was said to have been seen last in the Jewish quarter, although later witnesses came forward to testify that he was some hours later in a different part of the city. His body was never found. Tommaso, being a member of the Catholic Church, was under French protection, and the French Consul, the Count de Ratti Menton, at once opened an investigation into the disappearance.

Ratti Menton was a rabid anti-Semite and reactionary. He seemed to have decided, even before opening his inquiry, that Jews were responsible for the disappearance, which he quickly satisfied himself was a consequence of ritual murder. A young Jewish barber was arrested and put to the torture in order to force a confession. Witnesses who came forward to say that the friar had been seen elsewhere than the Jewish quarter and later, were also tortured and their testimony rejected.

Every means was taken to break down the morale of the wretched barber and in the end he succumbed, telling a half-incoherent story involving the principal Jewish merchants of Damascus in the supposed murder. These were at once arrested and put to the torture, under which two of them died. No confessions nor any other evidence were obtained, but this did not worry Ratti Menton. Exchanging the role of investigator and torturer for that of prosecutor and judge, he quickly found all the surviving prisoners guilty, not only of murder, but of murder for ritual purposes, and sentenced them to death. The sentence was confirmed by the governor, a close friend of Ratti Menton, but before it could be carried out, had to be approved by Mehemet Ali, the Pasha of Egypt, who was then temporarily in control of Syria.

Meanwhile, the Jews of Damascus had appealed to their coreligionists in Alexandria and Western Europe. Independently, the Austrian consul in Damascus, G. G. Merlato, shocked by the iniquity of the proceedings, had reported on them in most emphatic terms to his government, and in this he was strongly supported by his senior officer, the consul-general in Alexandria. In London, the Jewish Board of Deputies appealed to Lord Palmerston, the foreign secretary, who not only gave them his sympathy, but sent instructions to the British representative in Alexandria to make the most emphatic representations to Mehemet Ali regarding the proceedings. He was "to represent to Mehemet Ali the extreme disgrace which the barbarous enormities perpetrated at Damascus reflect upon his administration . . . Her Majesty's government can entertain no doubt that Mehemet Ali will feel it due to his own character, as well as to a sense of justice, not only to make instantly the most ample reparation in his power to the unfortunate Jews who have been sufferers on this occasion, but also to dismiss and punish those officers who have so greatly abused the powers and authority which had been placed in their hands."

On this subject both parties in the state were agreed, for Sir Robert Peel, the leader of the opposition, used his place in the House of Commons—and although not in order, was permitted to do so—to express the abhorrence of himself and of his party at what had happened and sympathy with the sufferers. He asked the government to place the whole of their influence on the side of justice and humanity. Similar appeals and protests were made by other sections of the population, and public men—bishops, members of parliament, clergymen, above all the philanthropist and social reformer Lord Shaftesbury—took the lead in the movement. The press also came out emphatically on the side of justice "The Times" devoting columns to the progress of the affair.

The representations made to the British government by the Anglo-Jewish leaders were paralleled in

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Customers' Liability under Acceptances and Letters of Credit		18,772,428.22
Represents liabilities of customers on account of Letters of Credit issued and Drafts accepted by the Bank for their account.		
Other Assets not included in the Foregoing		2,606,322.43
Making Total Resources of		$1,046,551,479.25

LIABILITIES

Due to the Public

Deposits		$928,387,889.51
In Canada	$809,110,875.52	
Elsewhere	119,277,013.99	
Payable on demand or after notice.		
Notes of the Bank in Circulation		17,890,850.50
Payable on demand.		
Acceptances and Letters of Credit Outstanding		18,772,428.22
Financial responsibilities undertaken on behalf of customers (see off-setting amount in "Resources").		
Other Liabilities		4,594,440.75
Items which do not come under the foregoing headings.		
Total Liabilities to the Public		969,645,608.96
To meet which the Bank has resources as indicated above amounting to		1,046,551,479.25
Leaving an excess of Resources over Liabilities, which represents the Shareholders' interest over which Liabilities to the Public take precedence.		
Capital	$36,000,000.00	
Reserve Fund, Profit & Loss Account and Reserves for Dividends	40,905,870.29	$76,905,870.29

PROFIT and LOSS ACCOUNT

Profits for the year ended 31st October, 1941, after making appropriations to Contingent Reserve Fund, out of which Fund full provision for Bad and Doubtful Debts has been made, and after deducting Dominion Government Taxes amounting to $2,242,905.10		$3,437,026.60
Dividends paid or payable to Shareholders	$2,880,000.00	
Appropriation for Bank Premises	500,000.00	3,380,000.00
		$ 57,026.60
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st October, 1940	$1,321,642.15	
Less adjustment of previous years' taxes	225,000.00	1,096,642.15
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward		$1,153,668.75

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I wholly disapprove of what you say and will defend to the death your right to say it. — Voltaire to Helvetius.

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Commentaries

By Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi

Birth Centenary Of A Canadian Statesman

Canadians generally and Quebecers in particular are pausing this week to pay tribute to the memory of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. On November 20th, 1841, in the village of St. Lin of the Province of Quebec, Wilfred Laurier was born. The house where Laurier first saw light of day is now a national monument and deservedly so. For from this humble backwood French-Canadian home came not only a great Canadian but equally a great humanitarian.

The name of Laurier will ever be associated with Canadian unity. It was Sir Wilfred through whose guidance was made possible a cordial entente between the English-speaking and French-speaking Canadian communities. He it was who synthesized Canadian life and removed those seemingly unconquerable obstacles which threatened the very life and growth of the Dominion of Canada as a solidified nation. Working toward the goal of Canadian harmony he fought heroically any and all sorts of prejudices that tended to irritate the various cultural and religious groupings of the young nation of the western hemisphere.

Because he was by temperament and reflection a liberal, he, of course, met with opposition. The task of the reformer is never an easy one. But in the best tradition of thought-pioneers, he fought his opponents and defended principles at the risk of breaking even with friends. Principle to him was above personality.

Wilfred Laurier was a statesman informed and most cultured. He inherited the double heritage of English and French cultures and schooled himself in the best that philosophy, law and literature, had to offer. His goal of unity was not only directed within the Dominion. He had hoped for closer collaboration between the United States and Canada. This neighborly policy which is so much advocated in the present crisis between the Dominion and the Republic south, was the very policy and hope of Laurier some thirty years ago. Alas, Canadians then were not spiritually prepared to realize and grasp the great vision of this truly great statesman. However, a world crisis has been necessary to achieve at least in part greater co-operation between Canada and the United States. May this neighborliness grow to greater fruition in the post-war world.

Sir Wilfred Laurier was a friend of the Jewish people as he was a friend of all peoples. It was he who lent his eloquence in support of more generous immigration laws. It was he who was most sympathetic that the doors of Canada be opened for the persecuted Jews of Czaristic Russia and victimized and pogromized Jews of East Europe. And none more than Sir Wilfred was anxious in his day to recognize the splendid contribution of Jews to the industrial and cultural growth of Canada.

Canadians in honouring the memory and heritage of Sir Wilfred Laurier must now resolve to labour in his great tradition of democracy, liberalism, fellowship, and freedom. If this be the spirit of the centenary observance, we need not fear for Canada's future.

This Is Jewish Book Week!

Our friend, Rabbi Felix Mendelsohn, of Chicago, originated some years ago the idea of Jewish Book Week with the purpose of awakening the Jewish consciousness through literature. Those of us who write and publish Jewish books know well that Jews in America have a long way to go in meriting the classic title ascribed to the Jewish people, "The People of the Book." After all, despite the best-sellers of the day that come and go, the Bible is still the book of books. If only this classic work of Israel would be studied by Jews as well as non-Jews, life indeed would be much enriched and uplifted. The Bible has a message, yes, for our harassed generation. The Bible is not a relic of the past. Though written twenty centuries ago it speaks to us most eloquently today, if only we hearken to the message and preachments of the Biblical prophets.

Jews who through the centuries actually soaked themselves in Biblical study and Bible commentary have in our day been most neglectful of its sacred literature. They seem to be satisfied in having given the holy book to mankind. It is for this very reason that in Palestine and England Bible reading societies are now being advocated that Israel may again be Torah-minded; that in this darkness Israel may regain light and power found by our sires in Torah learning.

The poets of the Bible with their God consciousness; the prophets with their preachments of social justice speak to us of a frustrated world of life as it ought to be. Desperately is our age in need of those teachings of the Bible that have become timeless—righteousness, brotherhood, peace, and above all the love of God. How contemporary is the Bible, though old in authorship and composition!

We, therefore, read with satisfaction that leaders of the Catholic and Protestant communions are now campaigning

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every friday

"Sometimes when people censure me,
I tell them without rancor
That for what it cost me to be free,
I might have had an anchor."

The Jewish Social Service Quarterly contains a paper on "Conflicting Issues In Jewish Education" by Dr. Samuel Dinin, of the Teachers Institute in New York, in which he deals with the problems that agitate those engaged in Jewish education, clarifies the basic issues which divide educators, and helps people to understand the issues at stake in a field vital to the future of Jewish life in this country. Because Dr. Dinin's paper is too long to publish in the Review in its entirety and because it will get a bigger audience in condensed form, this column will try to give its readers the gist of it here.

Underlying all questions is the question of what Jews conceive Judaism to be. There are five interpretations of Judaism, all of which overlap on specific issues, and have variants within each.

First, there are those, Orthodox, Reform and Conservative, who view Judaism primarily as a religion, with the synagogue central in Jewish life.

Secondly, there are those who view the Jewish people primarily as a nation with religion secondary, for the most part, and Judaism as the culture of the national group. These Zionists believe that Jewish normality hinges upon having the ancient homeland in Palestine. Some see Palestine as a spiritual center making possible a creative life in the Diaspora. There are other nationalists who are for autonomous national self-expression in whatever lands the Jews happen to be, some of them anti-Zionistic, some for Palestine as well as for territorial concentration elsewhere, some religious, some not, but all mainly interested in national language, culture, folkways, holidays, and the collective life of the people.

Thirdly, there are those Jews who are secular Yiddish nationalists primarily interested in the salvation of the Jew as an economic man. At one end are the Labor Zionists, divided over whether it should be Yiddish or Hebrew in the Diaspora and by difference in religiosity, but united in the belief that only Palestine offers a solution to the problems of the Jew. At the other end are the Communists, pro-Yiddish, "international", and anti-religious. In the middle are pro-Yiddish Socialists, some pro-Palestine, but indifferent to nationalism.

Fourthly, there are those who view Judaism as a cultural complex and the Jews as a community. They may be for Palestine but against political Zionism. In America they consider themselves of American nationality. They may or may not go to the synagogue but they are not essentially religious. They observe folkways and festivals as those of a historic group. They may be liberal or radical but do not believe in any specifically Jewish solution to the economic problems of man. They do want their ethical culture expression through the Jewish community.

Lastly, there are the Reconstructionists who view Judaism as a religious civilization in which Zionism and religion are inseparable and communal life is established on an organized basis, locally, nationally and internationally, with religion central because that is what Jews are best at. They strive to change both men and the socio-economic conditions which restrict self-realization for any individual or group.

Which is to be primary and which secondary, the Jewish or the American group life, is an agitating question. The assimilationist sees the Jews as Americans first, Americans of Jewish descent. The Reformist is American in all but religion. The Orthodox and many nationalists owe allegiance to their country in matters of state, to Judaism in matters of the spirit. American civilization has become primary and Jewish life secondary in the sense that most of Jewish life is concerned with American civilization. However, Jewish life is an integral part of American life, not of sufferance but as of right, since diversity in the cultural pattern is the American way, as opposed to uniformity which is the Fascistic or Communistic way. At the same time, all minority and immigrant groups have problems which are unique and the child must be made to understand the character of the Jewish minority position in the world and in America, and of the meaning and role of cultural minorities for human progress.

Jewish boys and girls need the Jewish school for advice and knowledge in face of the severe economic and political crisis of a period when a war of extermination is being waged against Jews all over the world. Therefore Judaism must be taught as a living tradition, in the spirit of other periods of crisis when prophets and rabbis spoke on the issues of the day to guide the people. The Jewish school must provide discussion of ethical, socio-economic and other problems in order to make the child feel that what he is learning is of vital help to him today in his own life. Not much can be done with little children in this instance, but there are the youth and adults for whom the Jewish school must provide education right through from birth to death to meet the modern realization of the need for that continuous process.

The problem of the relation of Palestine to the Diaspora affects the character of the Jewish school. Many Hebraists and Zionists want to inculcate in pupils a sense of precariousness and the futility of Jewish life in the Diaspora and make them see Palestine as the only way out. Then there are escapist and Reformist Jews who are hostile to Palestine and the idea of a Jewish state in Palestine.

There is another view: For many, many years to come Jewish life in America will survive. Palestine at its best will be able to assimilate only a portion of the Jewish people. Practically all children of the Jews in America will live out their lives here. Palestine, then, must not be made the be-all and the end-all of Jewish education. Jewish children must be prepared for life here, and curricula cannot be based on fear of insecurity. Children cannot be inculcated with a sense of the abnormality of their existence without suffering serious psychic disturbances. Real Zionism implies a belief in the possibilities of Jewish national life not only in Palestine but everywhere and Palestine will have to continue to be a joint venture of the settlement there and the Diaspora.

This summary of Dr. Dinin's paper will be continued next week. *I.I.c.*

One Hundred Years After The Damascus Affair

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France by the statesman and reformer Adolphe Cremieux and other leading Jews. Thiers' government, in France was, however, largely dependent for its existence on the reactionaries. Moreover, it considered support of its agent in Damascus a matter of prestige. The deputation that French Jewry asked to be received by its Prime Minister never secured an interview, and in a debate in the French parliament, initiated by Achille Fould, another prominent Jewish statesman, Thiers adopted an attitude very different from that of Palmerston and Peel.

Encouraged by the British government, Anglo-Jewry decided to send a mission to Mehemet Ali at Alexandria. The mission was a joint one, the Jews of Britain and France under the leadership of Sir Moses Montefiore, the recognized head of Anglo-Jewry, and Cremieux who held a similar position in France. Montefiore was received, before he left London, not only by Palmerston but also by the Queen, who gave him every encouragement in his mission. The city of London, on the eve of his departure, held a great meeting at the Mansion House, under the chairmanship of the Lord Mayor, to wish him Godspeed and success. A similar town's meeting was held shortly afterwards in Manchester. Outside of England, on the continent and in North America, there were also meetings and expressions of sympathy. France was the great exception. Cremieux left with definite official discouragement. When he reached Egypt the French consul-general refused to present him to Mehemet Ali and this had to be done by Colonel Hodges, the British consul-general.

Mehemet Ali was in a difficult position. He had revolted against his suzerain, the Sultan, and had invaded and occupied Palestine and Syria. Turkey was being supported by Britain, Russia, Austria and Prussia and together they were bringing pressure to bear on Mehemet Ali to evacuate the territory he had occupied. France, on the other hand, was giving him every support, short of arms, and the French foreign office seems to have committed itself to the guilt of the Jewish prisoners in Damascus. The Damascus affair, in fact, had become a part of international politics, the Jewish case being pressed with varying degrees of insistence by the consuls of the Four Powers, the French consul almost openly working against the success of the mission. Mehemet himself did not conceal his disbelief in the charges, but he hesitated at opposing the wishes of France, his only friend.

After some delay, during which French intrigues in Alexandria and Damascus did their utmost, Mehemet decided, not to pardon, as the French consul-general had suggested when he found his position untenable, but to release the surviving prisoners, declaring the charges baseless.

Montefiore arrived in Egypt on August 4 and Mehemet Ali gave his decision on the 28th of that month. From Alexandria Montefiore proceeded to Constantinople. The Sultan had in the meanwhile recovered control of Syria. He had already, before Mehemet Ali's decision, acting on the suggestion of the British Ambassador Lord Ponsonby, issued a Firman granting all Montefiore and Cremieux had asked, but as he was not in control of Damascus, this action was only a gesture. But Abdul Medjid did not withdraw when he was able to make this gesture effective. He went in fact still further and on the 7th of November issued another Firman denouncing the blood accusation in general as baseless and guaranteeing to all his Jewish subjects rights and privileges similar to those enjoyed by his subjects of other communities.

Montefiore then returned to England, being received with enthusiasm in all the Jewish centres through which he passed. In Paris he was received by King Louis Philippe, who spoke to him most sympathetically. Thiers had, in the meanwhile, fallen from power. In Germany it was proposed to institute a new Purim in his honour. In London, he presented a copy of the Sultan's Firman to the Queen, who granted him the honour of supporters for his arms, in recognition of his services on behalf of the Jews of Damascus, as the patent by which the grant was made recited.

This article is from Israel's Messenger.

Important experiments with the "sulfa" drugs are being conducted at the Yale University Medical School by Dr. Naomi S. Diamond. Dr. Diamond is studying the effects of sulfanilamide, sulfapyradine and other similar drugs which have been responsible for remarkable cures in a number of infectious diseases.

COMMENTARIES

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for Bible reading. For, indeed, the knowledge of God and His world is vital for a new world order.

The modern synagogue must again assemble Jews for study of Israel's holy books. The most inspiring scenes of old synagogue life were the assemblages of laymen — rich and poor, for the purpose of study and discussion. This is what gave to Jewish communities splendid lay leadership. Not mere abundance of money or audacity qualified men to head Jewish communities, but study. Decay of that habit has meant deterioration of our fine community leadership. Let us return to our holy books, the sources of our inspiration and we shall regain the strength needed for our trying day. Talmud Torah Kneged Kulom!

A Letter Of Appreciation

Dear Rabbi Stern:

It has been a source of great joy to me to have heard so many expressions of appreciation of your visit to our town and Church from members of my congregation. Your message was timely and made a deep impression on the large congregation. A Jewish family from Hungary who suffered persecution at the hands of the Nazis and who recently arrived from Switzerland was present in the worship service and with deep emotion told me of the spiritual blessing that came to them as they sat in the service that Sunday morning. They said it was worth all their sufferings to realize they were in this land of freedom, to be in a church service that was conducted by the Pastor who was a Christian Minister and to have a Jewish Rabbi deliver the message. I do feel that much good was accomplished through your visit and through your message in particular. It certainly goes to prove that the spirit of God can break down many barriers that separate the children of God in the world.

I am, yours sincerely,
S. Wesley Boyd.
(Pastor of Emanuel United Church, Cowansville, Que.)